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## PROLOGUE

*Is history just a picture,  
That tells of yesteryear,  
That makes the far-flung distant past  
Seem today so very near?  
Or is it just a witness wise,  
Penned on a written page,  
That brings anew from old archives,  
Truth for the fool and the sage?  
Or is it just a sketch of lives  
Of men by whom 'twas made,  
That tho they're gone, it still survives  
In colors that cannot fade?  
Or is it just an old, old story,  
Of a people, place and clyme,  
That in accents speaks of grief and glory,  
Boxed in the frame of time?  
Yes, history is indeed all this—  
A parade of the past reviewed,  
But its real worth, I think, we miss,  
If our hope for tomorrow's not renewed.*

No one would dare call the above a classic. In fact, it would be a simple task for the literary critic to find in it a wide variety of errors. Raced rhythm and labored lyrics, unbalanced lines and faulty phrases make it easy for the poet to discover in this selection something wrong. However, it would be extremely difficult for anyone to challenge its truth. Yes, all history that is true history is just as the poem describes it.

The subject of history is almost limitless. Sometimes it is written about ideas, philosophies, even religion. Sometimes a country or a community, a state or a nation is the theme of history. But regardless of what the subject might be, all history follows the same format, the same pattern—the one outlined in the poem. Now history can also be written about a Parish, and when it is the pattern must be followed.



History has another feature that custom has made a tradition. It not merely confines itself to a specific range of time, it is generally written on some timely occasion, such as the tenth, twenty-fifth, fiftieth or seventy-fifth anniversary. In this History of St. Mark Parish we shall make every effort to follow closely historical code and custom, making one digression from it—(we hope, the only one). The year 1958 has no significance in itself for St. Mark Parish. The 37th year of any Parish hardly calls for special recognition. But we have chosen it for a very special reason.

On the 10th of June, 1958, Father Fred J. Westendorf will commemorate the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood. As a priest, a Silver Anniversary has a very special significance for himself, his friends, and the mem-

bers of his family. As Pastor of St. Mark Parish, it has a very special meaning for the members of this Parish. Because it has been the wish of Father Westendorf, since his coming to St. Mark's, that a history of the Parish be written, now seemed to be an appropriate and opportune time to compose such a document. Our "frame of time" then will be the "37 Years of St. Mark's," and to our Silver Jubilarian we humbly dedicate this book.

From many sources near and far we have been most graciously assisted in a kind of help without which such an attempted project would have been impossible. To express my grateful appreciation to all may I borrow the words of a famous writer of a famous book. "My thanks to everyone for the good in this book and to my critics that the mistakes are not worse."

*The Author*





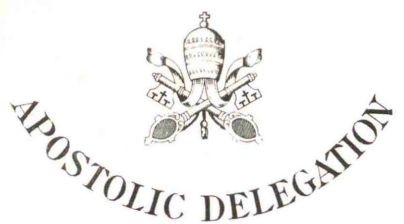
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HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP AMLETO GIOVANNI CICOGNANI  
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January 20, 1958

Reverend and dear Father :

On this joyous occasion of the Silver Jubilee of your Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood, our Most Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, has graciously deigned to impart to you his Apostolic Benediction as a pledge of divine favor and a token of his paternal benevolence. It is the wish of His Holiness that this Blessing be shared in by the members of your parish, by the Reverend Clergy and Religious associated with you, and by the relatives and friends who join with you in observing this happy Anniversary.

While conveying to you this message of the Sovereign Pontiff, I desire to add my personal congratulations and best wishes. I trust that this Blessing will bring with it an abundance of heavenly graces to reward you for past devoted service to the Divine Master and to strengthen and encourage you for the years which lie ahead.

With sentiments of esteem and renewed felicitations, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *A. G. Cicognani*

Archbishop of Laodicea  
Apostolic Delegate

Reverend Frederick Westendorf  
Pastor, St. Mark Parish  
Gary, Indiana





HIS EXCELLENCY, BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA  
Bishop of Gary



Bishop's Residence  
668 Pierce Street  
Gary, Indiana

May 18, 1958

Reverend Fred Westendorf  
501 West Ridge Road  
Gary, Indiana

Reverend and dear Father Westendorf:

May the celebration of your Twenty-Fifth Anniversary in the Priesthood fill your heart with more than enough joy to overflow and gladden the heart of each of your parishioners and all your friends.

Twenty-five years of faithful service in any calling deserves to be recognized but twenty five years in the Priesthood invites a recognition that is not only joyous but also filled with reverence, honor and esteem.

The work of a devoted Priest is not limited to the exigencies of time and neither can it be evaluated by the customary measurements of time. We are aware of your unceasing efforts to reflect the life of your Divine Master most clearly in your priestly ministrations to young and old, students and soldiers, poor and afflicted.

Now as you pause to ponder over the years of service in the Vineyard of the Lord, may you be rewarded with an intimate perception of the joy that the Scriptures proclaim exists in Heaven over gaining souls and over the conversion of just one sinner.

Our sincere congratulations to you, Father Westendorf, and may the Divine Master Whose 'Alter' you are, favor you with many more fruitful years of service in this fertile area of His Vineyard known as the Diocese of Gary.

Devotedly and fraternally yours in Christ,

*Andrew G. Grutka*

Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.  
Bishop of Gary



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 27, 1958

Dear Father Westendorf:

Through friends in Gary, the President learned of the celebration this June which will mark the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of your Ordination to the Priesthood, and it is a privilege to extend congratulations to you on his behalf. By faith and work you have contributed much to the lives of many within the boundaries of your Parish and beyond. As a Chaplain in the United States Army and as Pastor of Saint Mark's, you have long advanced the service of God and neighbor.

Best wishes to you and to all who join in tribute to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frederic Fox", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Frederic Fox  
Special Assistant  
in the White House

The Reverend Frederick Westendorf  
Pastor  
St. Mark Church  
Gary, Indiana





Reverend Fred Westendorf  
501 West Ridge Road  
Gary, Indiana

Dear Father Westendorf:

Gary citizens of all faiths join with me in extending to you heartiest congratulations on the observance of your silver anniversary in the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church.

Many of us recall your earlier days in Gary as director of the Catholic Youth Organization and the wonderful contributions you made to our entire community in this work.

I feel that I can speak for the people of St. Mark's parish in saying that they are most happy to have you with them.

May I join with them in extending to you best wishes in any endeavor you may undertake.

Mayor Mandich





MAJOR GENERAL CARL O. DeBARD



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COMMANDING GENERAL

11 March 1958

My first association with Father Westendorf was during the Ohio River flood of 1937. Then a young Chaplain with the 113th Engineer Regiment from Gary, he impressed me with his personality, willingness and enthusiasm.

Our paths were destined to next cross at Camp Shelby, Miss when, after the induction of Indiana's 38th Infantry Division in 1941 he was soon to be transferred to the 38th Division Artillery, an organization of which I was a part. It was while we were both members of this organization that my admiration, respect and friendship developed for Father Westendorf. His attention to duty, judgement, enthusiasm and understanding helped us through many trying and critical times. As I recall, when we were in combat, Father Westendorf always was able to find us under the most trying conditions

He was favorably known by every man of the command and his personality, cheerfulness, counseling and spiritual guidance was an inspiration to the entire command, regardless of faith or creed.

Since it has been my privilege and honor to command your fine National Guard Division, I have been most fortunate and happy to have Father Westendorf as the Division Chaplain.

Sincerely,

*Carl O DeBard*

CARL O DeBARD

Major General, Ind NG  
Commanding



REVEREND FRED J. WESTENDORF  
Present Pastor of St. Mark





RT. REVEREND JOSEPH RYDER  
First Pastor of St. Mark's





MONSIGNOR FRANCIS X. GUERRE  
The Second Pastor of St. Mark's



## INTRODUCTION

Nineteen centuries ago, on a mountain plateau that overlooks Jerusalem, Christ issued a command: "Teach all nations." Today, on a plateau that overlooks the Glen Park area of Gary, stands a Church dedicated to St. Mark, from which, like myriads of others, the commanded work of Christ goes on. Thus a complete and comprehensive history of St. Mark's Parish or of any other parish should begin with Apostolic times. However, such an attempt would be a task too gigantic for this writer and too voluminous for the few pages allowed here. Nevertheless, there are certain facts about Catholicity in Northern Indiana that are too significant to be overlooked and important enough to deserve at least a brief review here.

### THE FIRST PARISH IN THIS AREA

Catholicity in the Gary area actually dates back nearly 300 years. It begins with the pioneer efforts of the early French Missionaries. Most prominent among these were men like Father Marquette and Father Alouez, who labored in these parts around the year 1675. Several years later it was Father Badin, the founder of Notre Dame University. Father Gibault's work about the year 1779 cannot be overlooked or underestimated. These were the days when the Calumet area was a subject of the Diocese of Baltimore, the only Diocese in the United States. A few years later, this part of the country became a part of the newly established Diocese of Bardstown, Kentucky. Later, Vincennes, Indiana, was created a Diocese and we became a part of that Diocese. It was not long after this that Indianapolis was made a Diocese, and the territory now known as Gary found itself again under a new jurisdiction. In 1855, the Diocese of Fort Wayne was established, with Bishop John Henry Luers as the First Ordinary of the newly erected see. Approximately twenty years before this, parishes were formed and churches built at St. John, Indiana, at Turkey Creek, Michigan City, and Dyer. Long before the turn of the century a Parish was established at Hobart.

### THE FIRST PARISH IN GARY

In 1903, Father Thomas Jansen was appointed by the Bishop of Fort Wayne as pastor of St. Bridget's in Hobart. Meantime, a community is beginning to develop in an area not far distant from Hobart. By the year 1906, this community, named after the President of the United States Steel Corporation, Judge E. H. Gary, had become a city. Even though its population numbered only seventy-five families,

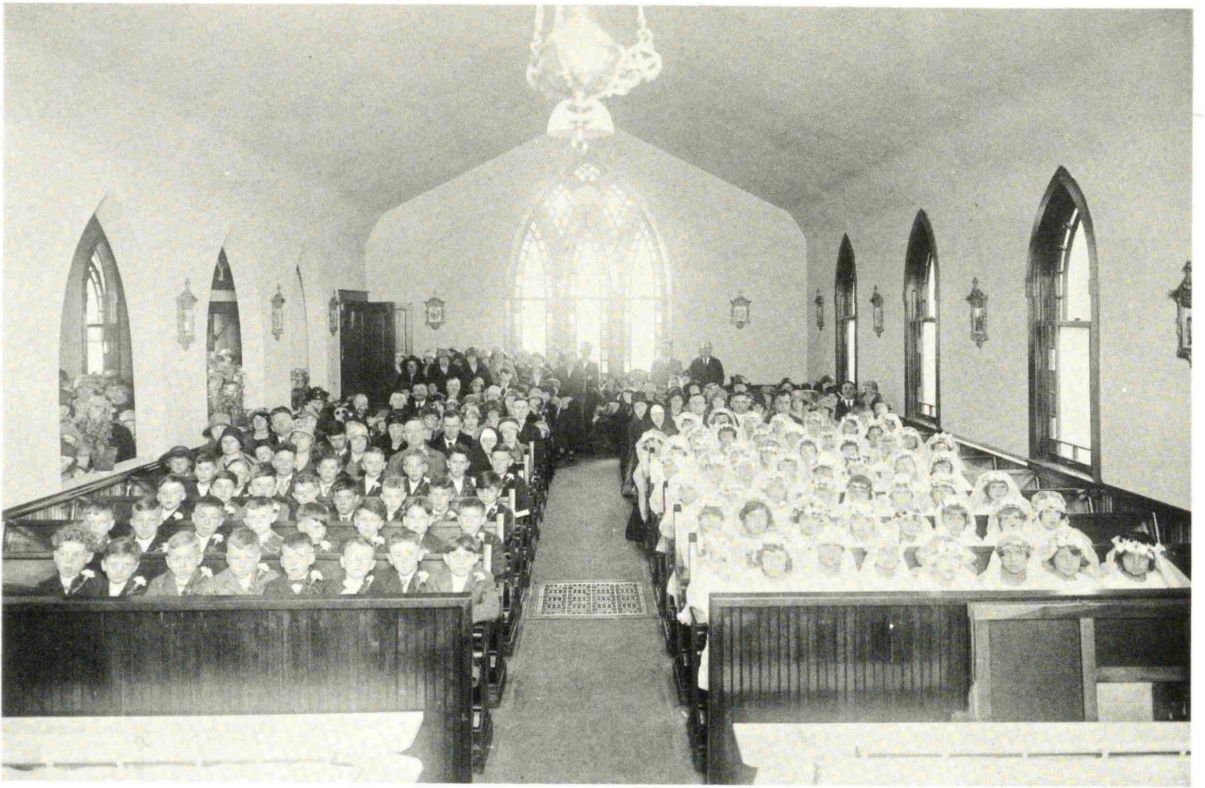
it gave every evidence of growing rapidly, and a large percentage of the population was Catholic. It was at this time that Bishop Herman J. Alerding of Fort Wayne directed Father Jansen to begin a parish at Gary.

There were not many places available at the time where Church services might be conducted. Gary was only an infant. However, Father Jansen did discover a small frame building located at the far north end of Broadway. Here on September 26, 1906, he celebrated the First Mass in Gary. He continued to read Mass here regularly until Winter arrived. There were no heating facilities in the structure and so, due to the extreme cold weather, Father was forced to discontinue his regularly scheduled Masses here. Even during these months the population of Gary continued to grow and to give signs of an ever increasing growth as time went on. Father Jansen, still the Pastor of Hobart and still residing at Hobart, convinced himself that he must find another place to celebrate Mass that would accommodate all of these people.

The Binzenhof Hall had been recently erected at the southeast corner of 4th Street and Broadway. To Father Jansen this seemed to be the ideal solution to his problem. Successful in obtaining the use of this hall, Father Jansen began conducting services here in the Autumn of 1907. By this time it became obvious that this "Mission" demanded so much of his time and effort that he should be relieved of his duties as Pastor of St. Bridget's in Hobart. No one realized this better than Bishop Alerding, and he quickly arranged that Father Jansen could devote himself entirely to the newly-founded Parish of "Holy Angels." He continued to maintain his residence at Hobart and to conduct services in the Binzenhof Hall. Only a few months elapsed when he found himself faced with another but inevitable problem. The Binzenhof Hall was becoming inadequate and his living so far distant from his parish proved a most unsatisfactory situation for all concerned. Gary was growing and Holy Angels must grow with it. Property was purchased at the corner of Sixth and Tyler Streets, and plans were drawn for a Church, School, and Rectory. On March 29, 1909, he was able to celebrate Holy Mass in the new Church.

Up to this time, Father Jansen administered Holy Angels Parish without other help. However, as time went on, the parish expanded in numbers to the point where it became necessary for him to request the services of another to assist him. The





FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS OF ST. MARK'S  
(Interior of old Church)



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS OF ST. MARK'S  
(Exterior of old Church Building)



first one appointed as Assistant to Father Jansen was Father John B. DeVille. In the course of time many served in this capacity at Holy Angels Parish. Among these were Father Joseph Ryder, Father Francis Guerre, and for a short while as a part-time assistant, Father Fred Westendorf. By a strange coincidence, all of these priests would play a prominent part in the establishment and the ministration of another Parish in Gary that would be founded some years later.

#### THE FIRST PARISH IN GLEN PARK

From the time of its founding in 1906 and continuing for almost a decade, this amazing and phenomenal growth of Gary seemed to concentrate on the area north of the Little Calumet River lowlands. The reason was obvious. For many months throughout the year these "lowlands" were floodlands, and the condition created what was almost a natural boundary to the south, but it was short-lived. Enterprising realtors found the solution. Aware that the land extending from 35th Avenue southward gradually rises to a degree where it is not only the highest point in Gary but even in all Lake county, they initiated a project that would remove this so-called "boundary" and move Gary southward. The swampland was drained and a beautiful three hundred acre city park was built.

The complexion of Gary began to change. People began to recognize the area of Glen Park as ideal for homes. The altitude of the terrain and the distance from the industrial and commercial sections of the city combined to make Glen Park a most inviting and ideal residential district. Then Glen Park began to grow and develop. With this growth and development came also the proportionate increase in the Catholic population. However, regardless of the many advantages for everyone living in Glen Park, for Catholics there was a very definite disadvantage. Attendance at Sunday Mass or other Church services meant traveling a distance of at least five or more miles. For the children, attendance at a Catholic School was extremely difficult and in most instances impossible. This unhappy condition continued for several years, and became a matter of deep concern to the Catholics of the area.

Normally, the first to be aware of such situations are the Church authorities. They are also normally the first to take action in such matters. However, the history of St. Mark Parish has a different story here. Either the Church authorities were not completely convinced of the true situation, or if they were so, the scarcity of priests at the time made it

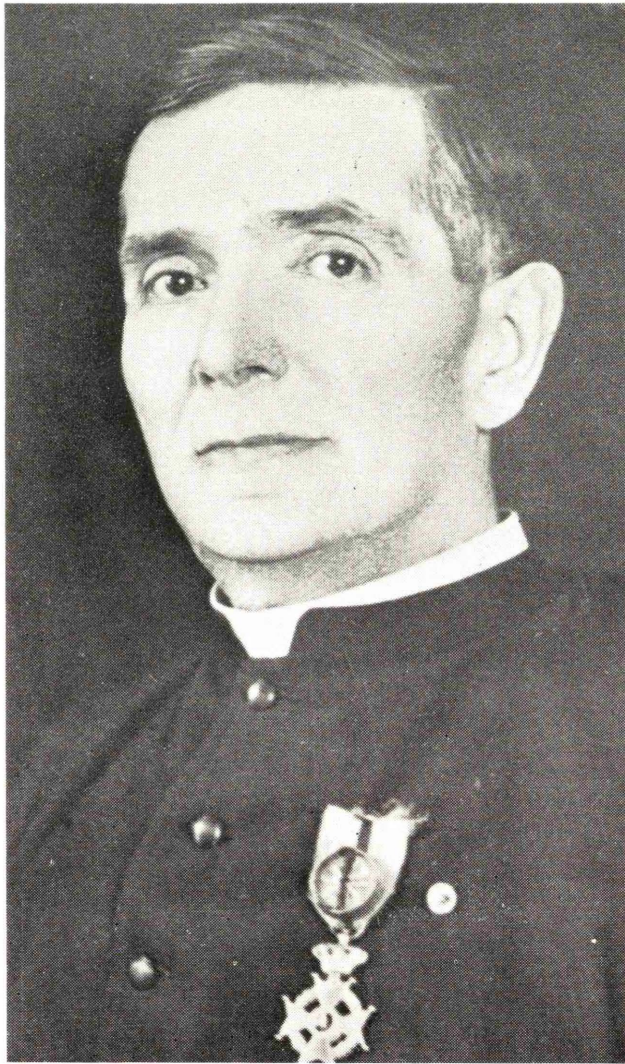
impossible to do anything about it. At any rate, nothing was done. So a group of laymen took the situation in their own hands. A casual glance at the unauthorized action taken at this time could easily lead one to a wrong conception of the motives that prompted it. But unquestionably it was nothing more than a measure courageously assumed by a group of sincere Catholic laymen, who hoped to be of assistance to the Church authorities. The manner in which this was accomplished is interesting.

#### THE FIRST CHURCH OF ST. MARK PARISH

There are many varied items necessary for Church services, and obviously most indispensable is a Church building. At the time when concern for a Catholic Church had crystallized into determination to get one, it just so happened that an abandoned non-Catholic Church was up for sale. It was located at the corner of 20th Avenue and Grant Street. It had been known as the German Evangelical Church of North America. Through a very tragic incident the Church had been left without a pastor. A certain Reverend Kaiser, pastor at the time, was found murdered outside his home, believed by many to be an act of violence prompted by a strong nationalistic prejudice prevalent in the post-war period. When it was agreed that the purchase of this Church would be a possible solution to the first phase of beginning a new Parish in Glen Park, correspondence began with the Evangelical Headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri, the legal owners of the property. Proper contacts were made, and through correspondence, after some months a contract was negotiated whereby the Church was purchased on May 18, 1921, for the sum of \$1100.00. Land was purchased on Broadway between 39th and 40th Avenues, almost directly opposite the Glen Park School, from Timothy W. Englehart for \$2500.00. A foundation was laid and plans were made to move the church building from Grant Street to this new centrally located site. All of this was done and completed by July 23, 1921. Now they had a Church building, but that was all.

The committee of laymen faced another problem. They had a building fully equipped as a building but they had no altar, no vestments, none of the many appurtenances large and small but necessary for the celebration of Holy Mass. And last but not least they had no priest. There was a definite but understandable reluctance on the part of these laymen to approach the Bishop in the matter. After all, they had, without his approval and direction, taken the first steps toward the establishment of a Parish. However, time proved their hesitancy and reluc-





REVEREND JOHN B. DEVILLE

tancy to contact the Bishop wasted anxiety. In August, 1921, a committee was formed and asked to consult with Bishop Alerding. The following were members of that group: J. J. Kelley, Thomas F. Kennedy, Maurice Cox, John B. Rochford, and John P. Churchill. The Bishop received them warmly, and while he assured them he would provide a priest for them as soon as possible, he regretfully informed them that he could not do so now. However, before the meeting ended one of the members made this suggestion. Possibly Father John B. DeVille, who later built the Gary-Alerding Settlement House, might be in a position to assist at Glen Park until such time as the Bishop could appoint some one as a permanent pastor. The Bishop considered this suggestion an excellent one. He wrote a letter addressed to Father DeVille asking him to accept this responsibility. The letter was placed in the hands of the committee to be delivered personally to Father DeVille. The following morning

the group returned to Gary and immediately contacted Father DeVille, presenting to him the letter written by the Bishop. He gladly accepted the suggestion of the Bishop and at once arrangements and plans got underway for the celebration of the first Mass in Glen Park.

#### FATHER JOHN B. DEVILLE

To countless numbers of foreign-born Catholics who migrated to Gary at the time the "Steel City" was the fastest growing city in the Midwest, Father John B. DeVille will always be remembered. And certainly to the pioneer members of St. Mark's Parish he will never be forgotten. It was through his unreserved cooperation and assistance that the dream of the Catholics of this area to one day have their own parish became a reality. From September 4, 1921, when he celebrated the First Mass in the old frame Church on Broadway until a permanent pastor was appointed in June, 1923, Father DeVille celebrated Holy Mass regularly, arranged for Religious Instructions to be given to the children in the basement of this building, and in addition to his many other duties and responsibilities, made himself available for whatever requests were made of him by the people of St. Mark's.

When he was relieved of his charge here he devoted his efforts exclusively to the spiritual and material needs of immigrants and their children at the Gary-Alerding Settlement House, whose establishment and administration he planned and directed. In 1930, he returned to his native land. On December 31, 1932, in Fiera di Primero, Italy, he passed away. While Father DeVille had complete charge of the spiritual welfare of St. Mark's Parish, the laymen instrumental in the purchase of the original Church assumed all the financial responsibilities. When, after a short time, it became evident that this building was inadequate to accommodate the ever-increasing crowd, the matter was brought to the attention of Father Jansen who subsequently informed Bishop Alerding of the situation. In less than six months after the first Mass was celebrated in the old Church, land was purchased for a new Church and School. It was an entire block of property located on Ridge Road between Monroe and Jackson Streets. The purchase price was \$12,000.00. In June, 1923, Bishop Alerding appointed Father Joseph S. Ryder as Pastor.

#### THE FIRST PASTOR OF ST. MARK'S PARISH

The next twenty-five years of St. Mark's History to a large extent revolves about the life of Father Ryder. A great man and a zealous priest. He was born in Columbia City, Indiana, September 8, 1887.



He attended the Cathedral School in Fort Wayne, Indiana. His studies for the Priesthood were begun at St. Francis Seminary, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and were completed at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was ordained to the Holy Priesthood, June 25, 1914, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, Indiana, by Bishop Herman J. Alerding. His first assignment, which lasted for nine years, was assistant to Monsignor Thomas Jansen at Holy Angels Church in Gary. On Sunday, June 17, 1923, he was appointed the first permanent pastor of the newly-established Parish of St. Mark's.

One can well imagine the sentiments that were his that first day. He had come from a parish now over fifteen years old. It was well organized and well established. The people there had grown to love him and he to love them. He came now to an infant, struggling parish. It had no school, no rectory, and a church with a seating capacity of less than 160 people. The collection was about \$30.00 that Sunday. The picture was not a bright one. Yet, with all these unpleasant factors which for the fainthearted spell only depression and discouragement, Father Ryder became quickly aware that he was working with a people who possessed a deep and sincere Faith, a people ready and willing to support him in every way, a people who were not afraid to sacrifice, a people who had in abundance those invaluable characteristics that make the solution of a pastor's problems more of a delight than a burden.

Within one month after his arrival here, Father Ryder called a meeting at which the first trustees of St. Mark Parish were elected. This occurred on July 14, 1923. Those elected were: Thomas Allen, George Frankovich, Maurice Cox, Thomas Kennedy, and J. J. Kelley. This was the second time Mr. Kelley was given this distinguished honor. He was also one of the first trustees of Holy Angels Parish in Gary. About two weeks later a meeting of the newly-elected trustees was called to discuss the problem of a residence for Father Ryder. Up to now he continued to live at Holy Angel's Rectory. Commuting between there and Glen Park was not only inconvenient but most unsatisfactory for all concerned. Sick calls, religious instructions, parish business matters and many other items of importance cannot be given the attention they deserve nor efficiently cared for when the Pastor is so far distant from his people and his church. The reasons for a rectory were obvious. The committee of trustees were convinced of that, and they immediately voted to accept the proposal of Father Ryder

that a temporary Rectory be built adjacent to the old Church.

### THE FIRST RECTORY

The unanimous and immediate decision to accept the proposed plan of Father Ryder for a temporary Rectory was unanimously and immediately executed. At the meeting it was agreed to begin construction at once on a building which would serve as a Rectory until the parish would be in a position to erect a Church and School on the recently acquired property on Ridge Road between Monroe and Jackson Streets. This temporary structure was to be built on the north side of the Church building at 3921 Broadway. Within sixty days, this building, a frame building, was ready for occupancy. On September 1, 1923, Father Ryder occupied it.

No one knows better than a pastor that his primary concern in his parish is the spiritual welfare of the souls under his care. Certainly, no one is more aware of the fact that to accomplish this there is a material factor that cannot be overlooked. It is impossible to erect buildings and to maintain them without money. It was mentioned before that when Father Ryder came to St. Mark Parish the average weekly income was \$30.00. In January, 1924, he introduced the envelope system and made the very consoling and happy discovery that the collection increased tremendously.

The hopeful dream of a Church and School on the Ridge Road property occupied the minds of everyone from the time this site was purchased. Now it had crossed the river of dreamland and asserted itself as a need demanding action and forbidding further delay. So on October 14, 1925, a meeting was held, suggestions were made, ideas submitted, a building committee was organized, and the meeting ended with the avowed decision that a Church and School combination structure be erected on the West Ridge Road Property.

### THE NEW CHURCH AND THE FIRST SCHOOL AT ST. MARK'S

Action prompted by an urgent need was promptly taken. The Charles L. Wallace Co. of Joliet, Illinois, drew plans. The plans of this architectural firm were submitted to Father Ryder and the Building Committee. On January 27, 1926, these plans were accepted. The contract for general construction was awarded to the M. Gerometta Company of Gary, and in July, 1926, construction of the new building began.

Except for some slight delay provoked by the winter weather, progress on this new structure was not at all slow, but it could not be fast enough for





THE FIRST RECTORY OF ST. MARK'S PARISH

Father Ryder. Without permitting impatience to rule him or to make unreasonable demands of the contractor and workmen, he still let no one forget that he wished that building to be completed as soon as possible. In April, 1927, he was assured that the building would be ready for occupancy in June, only two months away. Naturally Father Ryder was most gratified with the happy prospect of being in the new building at that time. He began at once to make plans appropriate for the dedication ceremony. There seemed to be no need to anticipate any trouble. In two months the new Church would be open to the congregation. Then something did occur which for a short while caused him much alarm. The worry and anxiety created by this disturbing factor was serious enough that Father Ryder himself contended that it was the

main cause of the beginning of a nervous breakdown he suffered some time later.

Only a few days after he had been assured by the contractor that the Church would be ready in June, Father Ryder was informed by the Gary Heat, Light and Water Company that a city ordinance had been violated. He had authorized the construction of a building over an alley that would block water feed lines. The firm did not merely inform him of the fact, they threatened to file suit against the parish. Father Ryder immediately contacted Mr. J. J. Kelley, informed him of the situation, and hoped he would find a solution. Mr. Kelley, one of the first laymen interested in St. Mark Parish, was as much concerned as Father Ryder but perhaps not as much alarmed. He had dealt with similar situations before. Through negotiations made by



Mr. Kelley with the city officials and the Gary Heat, Light and Water Company, a compromise was agreed upon. Permission was granted to leave the newly erected building unmolested, provided the parish assumed the responsibility of future repairs to a possibly damaged sewer. Another problem had been solved. The Pastor of St. Mark's could again relax and continue his plans for the dedication. A few weeks later another arose, and worry dared to walk again the avenues of a mind already crowded with anxiety and concern over the completion of the new Church.

The exterior of the Church was now finished and the macadam road already laid in front of the Church edifice. Work now consisted mostly on items of the interior. Then it happened. The sewer, which only a few weeks before had been a source of grief to all, broke. It was heartsickening. To repair the damaged sewer meant to break up the freshly laid macadam. This also would involve a degree of excavation that might possibly weaken the Church towers. Mr. Kelley again arrives with the solution. Permission is granted to reroute the water line so that should repairs become necessary again for the sewer, it could be done comparatively easy and without too great a cost. This unanticipated episode cost almost \$5,000.00. Whether Father Ryder's obvious concern and anxiety influenced the workmen to put forth their best effort and energy, or whether things simply took their normal course we do not know. At any rate the Church was ready for dedication on the scheduled date, July 31, 1927. Bishop John Francis Noll presided at the dedicatory ceremony, which was followed by a Solemn High Mass. Father Joseph Ryder was celebrant, Father DeVille was subdeacon, and Father Joachim Ryder was deacon. Father Toth, at the time pastor of St. Emeric's Church acted as Master of Ceremonies. When the festivities of the Dedication Day were completed, Father Ryder was fatigued and exhausted. He had gone through much during these months. Any pastor even though he surround himself with the most competent and sincere people, even though he is convinced that the suggestions and advice given to him is the best, even though his people cooperate with him wholeheartedly, there still is a degree of anxiety and concern that he cannot escape. In a very pronounced way it asserts itself. Father Ryder was no exception, and he was human enough to realize the importance of relaxation. And so another giant task achieved he leaves for Quebec.

Shortly after his return from Quebec he directed the moving of the Rectory from Broadway to 501

West Ridge Road. To give an exterior that would harmoniously blend with the Church adjacent to it, a yellow brick veneer was added. It served as a Rectory until 1949 when it was moved across the street to its present location, 3839 Monroe Street. Currently it is the residence of the James Coady family.

### THE FIRST SCHOOL OF ST. MARK'S

The next task that demanded immediate attention was the school. The rooms were not yet equipped and so the last weeks of the summer of 1927 were spent in preparing four classrooms for the September opening. The original plan of adding one classroom each year was followed until in 1931 with just pride St. Mark Parish could call its School complete. The Dominican Sisters, a religious community from Springfield, Kentucky, were secured as the teaching faculty of the School. Living quarters were provided for the sisters by the rental of a private house on Jackson street near 37th avenue. Here they lived for one year and a half. Then they changed their residence to another rented home located at 3846 Jackson, just opposite the School, where they lived until the convent was built. I think it is interesting to note that the monthly rental for these homes was \$60.00.

Those who knew Father Ryder know that his energy seemed almost to be limitless. Physical labor about the church property, participation in parish athletic activities gave evidence of a man possessing the best of health. However, in December, 1928, he did suffer an illness that lasted several months. It began after Midnight Mass on Christmas of 1928. Although he does not describe in his diary the nature of this affliction at this time, he does mention that he was rushed to Mercy Hospital where he stayed for ten days. He was then taken to Fort Wayne and there he remained till March the 4th of 1929. During the time of his convalescence, his brother, Father Joachim Ryder took charge of the parish. This was a very happy solution to an unhappy situation. Father Joachim Ryder was no stranger to the people of St. Mark. Through his reverend brother he was acquainted with many of the parishioners. He had conducted several series of Lenten sermons. At different times he had preached for the 40 Hours Devotion. In addition to this he was living at Mercy Hospital at the time, making the preliminary steps to the establishment of a parish at Ambridge. When Father Joseph Ryder did return to St. Mark's in March, 1929, he needed additional help on Sundays. The priests of St. Joseph College assisted him in this matter.



## THE SISTERS CONVENT

In June, 1929, it was decided that the time had arrived when consideration should be given to the Sisters who taught in the School. Living up till now in rented homes, it was thought that they should be provided with permanent living quarters. So the plans for a Convent were drawn by the same firm who planned the Church and School, the C. L. Wallace Co. The Largura Company was given the contract for general construction, and the erection of St. Mark's first Convent was begun. Obviously, at the time there must have been little difficulty in obtaining either labor or materials, because the convent was completed in less than six months. The sisters moved into their new home in November, 1929. The cost of the new convent was approximately \$18,000.00.

The New Year of 1930 saw St. Mark's a parish complete as a unit, save for the school to which as planned a new room would be added each year. It was the first time in its history that it could be called adequate in every way. Father Ryder could forget about any major building projects now and could concentrate on liquidating the debt. Then rumors of a few months ago about a possible financial depression become a reality. Men are gradually being laid off at the steel mills, merchants are filing for bankruptcy, parish income drops to a staggering low figure. Hard times are not ahead. They are here. Determined as he was to pay off the parish debt, he was too understanding and sympathetic to ignore the wants and needs of his people and their children. It would be a slow process paying off the debt now. In spite of the bazaars, socials, and other forms of entertainment sponsored by the various parish organizations, it was a struggle and it caused him worry again.

In addition to this he faced another problem. The Venerable Mother of the Dominican Sisters, who up to this time formed the teaching staff of St. Mark School, informed Father Ryder that it was a rule of their community to have private daily devotions in their convent. Without a chapel this could not be easily done. Having established her premise she proceeded to what almost amounted to an ultimatum. Unless a convent chapel would be provided for the sisters by September, 1931, the Dominican sisters would be withdrawn from St. Mark's Parish. The existing debt, the depression, and the necessity of installing a new classroom before September made it impossible for Father Ryder to even consider doing this. He felt, and rightly so, that the convent was close enough to

the Church and that the sisters could make the little sacrifice involved until such time as he could provide them with a chapel. Actually two years later he did furnish the convent with a chapel. However, at the time he could not and the Dominican Sisters left St. Mark's. Some who did not understand the reason for this, wrongly blamed Father Ryder as though he dismissed them. Underneath a rather gruff exterior was a tender heart, and this misunderstanding hurt him. But after a short time all came to understand the reason, and agreed that Father Ryder had been faced with a problem for which at the time there was no solution. Before September arrived he obtained the services of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, with headquarters at Donaldson, Indiana. During the few weeks before the opening of the school term, another classroom, the eighth grade, was added to the school. Classes began in September with a new teaching staff and a school complete with the eight grades. The enrollment was over 400, a number that remained more or less stable for the next fifteen years. The year 1932 for millions of Americans will never be forgotten as one of the darkest of the depression. But for 36 young folks who lived in Glen Park it will ever have a more happy memory. They were the first to complete the eight grades in St. Mark's School. They were the first Graduating Class. Last year, 1957, the class numbered almost 100—the 25th Graduating Class of our School.

It has been mentioned several times in these pages that the people of St. Mark's by their co-operation with him and the consistent support they gave him, provided convincing evidence of their appreciation for what he had done and was doing for them. However, after he had been here for ten years they decided to express it in a very definite way. They arranged that on June 15th, 1933, a celebration would be held in the Banquet Hall at Marquette Park. The event was scheduled to take place in the evening. When Father Ryder went to the garage to get his car he discovered it was gone. Naturally, he became much disturbed. Police were alerted to watch for a "stolen" car. Some kind parishioner gladly provided Father with transportation to the Marquette Hall. Before the banquet was ended the mystery of the "stolen" car solved itself when the keys to a beautiful new Pontiac sedan were presented to him. Mr. Walter Lohman, at the request of the parish had taken the car without Father's knowledge and executed the transaction that gave Father Ryder a new car. One might consider such an incident ill-chosen for a parish history.





#### 1932—THE FIRST CLASS OF GRADUATES FROM ST. MARK'S SCHOOL

*Top Row:* Phillip M. Pusateri, Henry C. Vorwald, Wilbur H. Marcotte, Leonard M. Kozrucki, James D. MacDonald, Frances J. Plummer, Margaret M. Fargo, Albert J. Shendera, Rose M. Lulich, Emil P. Alcich, Salvadore J. Valenti, Ronald J. MacDonald, Robt. J. Hermes, Edw. M. Connors.

*Middle Row:* Rose A. Fartire, Helen M. Konkle, Anne E. Glankovic, Clara L. Heskey, Mary M. Brek, Patricia H. Blaschke, Father Ryder, Marietta G. Wallace, Elizabeth M. Courtis, Margaret M. Blaschke, Katherine Bugarin, Emily F. Klodzen, Dorothy G. Lockwood.

*Bottom Row:* Thomas E. Keough, Frank P. Bushemi, Raymond G. Schultz, Herbert N. Schultz, Joseph J. Valenti, Alexander P. Chouinard, John J. Quinn, John J. Weber, George T. Bestich, John F. Douherty.

*Page Boy:* Edward Konkle. *Page Girl:* Mary Louise Kroeger.

However, it surely reflects the deep and sincere debt of gratitude the people of St. Mark's felt for their Pastor, and for that reason alone it merits mention here.

#### ILL HEALTH AGAIN

In April 1934 Father took sick again. After consultation with his physician he was advised to take a rest and to go to a different climate. So after arranging that the Parish be administered by a Father Dailey and a Father Quinn, he went to San Diego, California. He was away for three months and when he returned from the West Coast he was admitted to St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. There his illness was diagnosed as tubercular. Later it was discovered that it was diabetes. At any rate after a few weeks at St. Joseph Hospital he was sent to the Sanitarium at Crown Point, Indiana.

Here he remained for three more months, and then was removed to Mercy Hospital in Gary. Shortly thereafter he returned to St. Mark's. Upon his return, the two priests, Fathers Dailey and Quinn were transferred and as a temporary assistant Father Shanley was appointed. I think it significant to mention here a very thoughtful and generous gesture on Father Ryder's part that was made after he returned from this confinement of several months. Believing himself fully recovered from this illness, he purchased a very costly and beautiful monstrance for St. Mark Church, making it a thanksgiving gift for his seeming return to health.

One year later Father Shanley becomes seriously ill, and is directed to leave this climate and to go to Colorado. As a temporary assistant Father Fred J. Westendorf is assigned to St. Mark's. Father Westendorf was here but a short time when he was





Father Ryder commemorating his Silver Anniversary—June, 1939.

placed in charge of the Gary-Alerding Settlement House. And on the 1st of February, 1935, St. Mark's Parish is given its first permanent assistant in the person of Father Casimir Moswinski.

### THE LAST TEN YEARS

Time marches on and times begin to look brighter. Parish income increases considerably and in the year 1937, Father Ryder is in a position to pay on the parish debt \$12,780.00. The following year the Church is redecorated by the Conrad Schmitt Studios of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at a cost of \$2,500.00. Yet, in spite of this much needed improvement, he pays again a large portion on the debt—this time \$14,590.00. A year later he reduces the parish debt considerably more when he pays \$19,000.00.

The next three years bring with them no small amount of grief. In January 1940 his mother to whom he was most devoted passes away. On Christmas eve the following year he is informed of the sudden death of his brother, Father Joachim Ryder. A few months later Father Shanley, one time his assistant, goes to his eternal reward. On March 3, 1942, Monsignor Jansen, to whom Father Ryder was at one time assistant at Holy Angels, dies.

In the meantime, in fact, on July 8, 1939, Father Moswinski was transferred to Sacred Heart Parish in Tolleston, and Father Lawrence T. Grothouse was appointed as his successor.

The death of Monsignor Thomas Jansen was also the death of the Dean of Gary. On April 17, 1942, Father Ryder was appointed by Bishop Noll to succeed Monsignor Jansen as Dean. The following year, on September 19, 1943, Father Ryder is invested in the robes of a Domestic Prelate with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor. In spite of the added duties this position imposed on him, he continued to be just as devoted to his parish and just as active in working for it. In 1944, through the generous cooperation of the people, \$29,000.00 was paid on the debt.

On February 28, 1945, Father Grothouse is transferred to St. Anthony Chapel as pastor and Father Daniel E. Peil is appointed as his successor. In March, of this year, a drive is begun for a new Catholic High School. It was gratifying to Monsignor Ryder that St. Mark could contribute to this cause \$16,000.00. Ill health is again asserting itself, but when the year ends he is happy to pay off the complete indebtedness of the parish the sum of \$55,000.00.

Whatever money might be accumulated now could be saved for a new Rectory. I think it is deeply significant that his concern for a new rectory came only after the Church, the School, and the Convent were not only built, but paid for. Equally significant is the fact that the anxiety and concern he displayed in doing everything within his power





FATHER RYDER BECOMES A DOMESTIC PRELATE  
SEPTEMBER 19, 1943

Fathers Stepuncik, Michael Swiatkowski, Monsignori Jansen, Joseph Ryder, Bishop John F. Noll, Monsignor Mungovan, Fathers Gadacz, Flavian Niebianski, Joseph Martis, Joseph Dziadowicz, Monsignor Sullivan, Father Madejczyk.



ST. MARK'S WOMEN WITH MONSIGNOR RYDER ON THE OCCASION OF  
HIS INVESTITURE AS A DOMESTIC PRELATE

Left to right: Mrs. Cel Sabados, Mrs. C. J. Kramer, Mrs. Waltz, Monsignor Ryder, Katherine Ozimec, Mrs. Glover, Mrs. G. Michaely, Mrs. Longa, Mrs. C. Wise, and Mrs. Klemm.





Mayor Finnerty of Gary offers congratulations to Monsignor Ryder.

to have these buildings completed as soon as possible, did not show itself in this project. He thought of his own comfort last. Yet he realized that some day a larger rectory would be needed and he did save for it the sum of \$18,000.00 in 1946. He had begun his last major project, but he would never live to see it a reality.

He was able to celebrate with his people the Silver Anniversary of the founding of St. Mark Parish. This took place on October 13, 1946. A few weeks later he became ill and committed to Mercy Hospital. He remained in the Hospital for the next few months. In the early part of March he returned to the rectory somewhat better but not at all a well man. After a couple weeks he was removed to the Hospital. On March 31st, he received the Sacrament of Extreme Unction, and on April 13, 1947, at noontime, his life came to an end.

His Solemn Funeral Mass was sung in St. Mark Church, April 17, 1947. His body was laid to rest in the Calumet Park Cemetery.

Monsignor Ryder's death was mourned most by those who loved him most—members of his family and the members of St. Mark's Parish. But civic leaders and others also saw in his death the loss of a power for good that could not be easily replaced. May we then, as a final tribute to a wonderful man and a zealous priest, recall to your minds a few facets of his life that made him loved and revered by all.

One who knew him very well referred to his insistence on promptness thus: "We have one rule around here—everything starts on time. Whether it was a daily Mass, a Sunday Mass, a Wedding or a Funeral, he could be seen in the sacristy completely vested, with chalice in one hand, pocket watch in the other, and eyes glued on the watch dial. At the exact moment Mass was scheduled to begin it began." He commanded such deep respect from all that a practice such as this, which possibly might have created at times resentment, only served to establish in the parish an order and precision that could be envied by anyone.

All priests have a love for music and are concerned about having the best choir possible in their church. However, not all priests have the talent or the gift of conducting effectively their own choir. Monsignor Ryder had both. He was actually the choir director for twenty-four years. Himself blessed with a beautiful voice, he was really the power behind a choir that was recognized as one of the finest in the city of Gary.

An ardent professional baseball fan, he had an even greater interest in the athletic activities of the youth of St. Mark's, and he never lost it. Keenly aware of the lofty ideals and standards of the Priesthood, he never allowed dignity to keep him from manual labor about the parish when it did not interfere with duties and responsibilities as pastor and priest.

A few years ago when the Knights of Columbus formed a council here in Glen Park, they chose to name the group **The Monsignor Ryder Council**, indicative of the esteem and respect they held for him.

Although not a native of this area, he spent his entire priesthood of almost thirty-three years in the vineyard of Gary, a priest who ever sought to model himself after the Divine Model, Who spent only thirty-three years on this earth. It was once said of Monsignor Ryder: "He never forgot he was a priest and the pastor of his people." Certainly his years of





FATHER-SON BANQUET—FEBRUARY 12, 1939

Father Ryder, himself deeply interested in all forms of athletics, was most interested in having the youth of St. Mark's interested in the same. Annually, he directed and sponsored a "Father-Son Banquet." This is one of them. Mr. David P. Stanton assisted Father Ryder in arrangements of this affair. He is seated at the left of Father Ryder.

loyal and devoted service command that we never forget him.

#### THE SECOND PASTOR OF ST. MARK'S

When Father Ryder's condition became such that he was convinced he could never return to active work again, he requested of the Bishop permission to resign. His request was granted and on April 6, 1947, Father Lawrence T. Grothouse, who had been pastor of St. Anthony's for a little more than a year, was appointed to take Monsignor Ryder's place. Father Grothouse acted in that capacity until July 8, 1947, when Father Francis X. Guerre was appointed as pastor.

The second pastor of St. Mark's Parish had much in common with the first. Like his predecessor Father Guerre was not a native of Lake county, but was destined to spend his entire priesthood, except for a few months, serving the people of this community. Both were gifted speakers, blessed with a love and talent for music. Both attended the same seminaries. Both were at one time assistants at Holy Angels' Parish. Both were destined to establish new parishes. Finally, both Monsignor Ryder and Monsignor Guerre were in their thirty-third year of Priesthood when the end of life came.

On July 3, 1898, in the little town of Sainte Die, France, Francis Xavier Guerre was born. Nine years

later his parents, Alexander and Elizabeth Guerre, came to America and settled in Kokomo, Indiana. His father passed away in 1929, and his mother died about ten years later. Two elder brothers, Alexander and Charles, make their home in Kokomo. The youngest brother, George, lives in Miller.

Francis Guerre attended St. Patrick's elementary school, at the time known as St. Francis School. He worked for a time at the Kokomo Brass Works, and in September 1913, he entered St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee to begin his studies for the Priesthood. In 1918 he entered Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he completed his course in Theology. He was ordained a priest in the Cathedral at Fort Wayne June 14, 1924, by Bishop Herman J. Alerding.

His first assignment was only a temporary one. It took him to St. Vincent's Church in Elkhart, Indiana. In the fall of 1924, only a few months after his ordination he was appointed as assistant to Monsignor Jansen at Holy Angels' Parish in Gary, Indiana. He continued as assistant in this parish until the summer of 1929, when Bishop Noll appointed him the pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Parish in Miller and to serve the Church in East Gary as a mission. At the time Father Guerre was a priest ordained only five years, but youth proved to be no handicap to him.



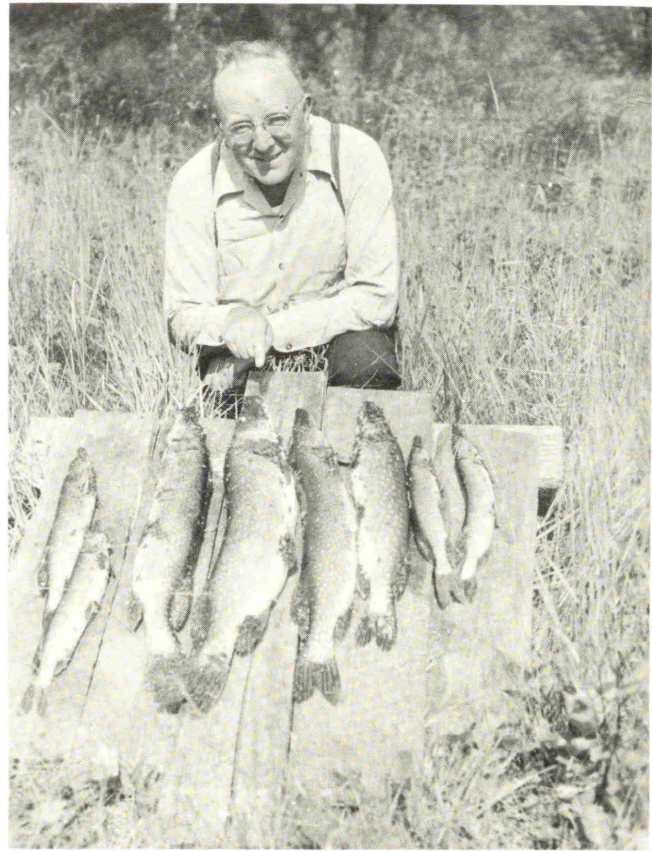


MONSIGNOR JANSEN, FATHER GUERRE  
AND FATHER SCHNITZ

Father Guerre had a very favorite and humorous expression. He appears to have used it here. "If you're so smart, why aren't you rich?"

In the year 1930, he built a beautiful Church at St. Mary of the Lake. The following year he was able to build a new Church in East Gary, dedicated to his patron St. Francis Xavier. In 1942, Father Guerre was appointed as Pastor of St. Paul's Church in Valparaiso. While he was here but a short time, about five years, he concentrated his genius for building in making many much needed improvements in the School. On July 7, 1947, he was assigned as Pastor to St. Mark's Parish.

The St. Mark's Parish to which Monsignor Ryder was assigned as its first permanent pastor was completely different than the St. Mark's to which Father Guerre came. When the first pastor came, the parish consisted of one frame building. There was no school, no rectory, no convent, only a rehabilitated abandoned church, inadequate in every way.



Bowling was his best liked sport, but he also loved to fish. On the Vermillion River in Minnesota he proved to eight fish that he was really a successor to St. Peter.

Father Guerre, on the other hand, came to a well established and well organized parish. In this respect each came to something completely different. However, in another respect both came to something that was the same, something that time had not changed. Both came to a people whose Faith and Religion was deep and sincere, who knew the meaning of sacrifice and were willing to make it.

Father Guerre was here but a short while when he realized that St. Mark's Parish had not ceased to grow. Glen Park was expanding and St. Mark must also. The thought of a new rectory was not original with Father Guerre. Monsignor Ryder had already begun to consider the idea. As a matter of fact, with Father Grothouse and with Father Peil, he had made tentative plans for a new rectory.





December 3, 1950, Bishop Noll invests the Pastor of St. Mark's with the robes of a Papal Chamberlain, and he is given the title of Very Reverend Monsignor.



## THE NEW RECTORY AND THE NEW SCHOOL

In the early part of 1948 definite action began towards the building of the new rectory. The old one, which served as a residence for the priests of St. Mark's for more than 25 years, was moved across the street to its present location at 3839 Monroe Street. The new rectory would be built on the same site where the old stood. The R. S. Kastendieck Company drew the plans for it. The Superior Construction Company was awarded the contract for general construction. On December 15, 1949, the new rectory was completed and ready to be occupied. At a cost of approximately \$125,000.00 the new rectory is an imposing structure, providing eighteen spacious rooms with full basement. It is equipped with a modern kitchen; the furniture throughout the house although modern is not luxurious. For many, many years this building will stand as a monument to the genius and foresight of Father Guerre and the generosity of the people of St. Mark's.

Gigantic a project as this was, it was not to be the last for Father Guerre. The following year meetings were held with the trustees, and with the approval of the Bishop, plans were made for a new school building. It would be located at the corner of Jackson Street and 39th Avenue. Meanwhile, two significant events occur at St. Mark's. Father Witte is appointed as assistant to Father Guerre. The Silver Jubilee of Father Guerre is celebrated with appropriate festivities, and later Father Guerre is elevated to the rank of Papal Chamberlain, with the title of Very Reverend Monsignor. This dignity, granted to him by Pope Pius XII, was certainly an honor he did not seek, desire, or hope for, but definitely it was an honor he truly deserved and deeply appreciated.

The new school building was completed and ready for occupancy in March 1951, and was dedicated April 29, 1951, by Rt. Rev. Monsignor Ed. J. Mungovan, the Vicar General of the Diocese of Fort Wayne. The cost of the new school was approximately \$300,000.00. At this time there were more than 600 children in school.

When school opened in September 1951, the teaching staff had to be increased. Now it was evident that the convent was fast becoming too small to comfortably accommodate the sisters required to direct the School. An addition was built to the Sisters Convent and several other improvements made that would contribute in many ways to the convenience of the Sisters. Yet, in spite of all these major projects, each one a costly venture, the parish

debt at the close of 1952 was only \$200,000.00. In 1954 it became necessary to equip the lower auditorium in such a manner that it could be used as a Church for Sunday Mass. The lower auditorium was decorated; asphalt tile laid as a floor surface, and a very attractive sanctuary was built in the area that formerly was used as a stage. The work on the sanctuary was the handicraft of Mr. Joseph Kulick and Father John C. Witte. When this was completed an extra Mass was scheduled at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, celebrated simultaneously with the Mass in the main Church. Shortly thereafter some improvements were made in the main Church. It was redecorated on the interior by the National Decorating Company of Chicago at the cost of \$9,750.00. New lighting fixtures were installed and an entire new lighting system put in the building. The floor surface was covered with asphalt tile similar to that put in the auditorium a short time before. When the year 1954 came to a close Monsignor Guerre was able to pay enough on the Church debt to reduce it considerably. It now was only \$80,000.00.

## MONSIGNOR GUERRE'S ILLNESS

While a seminarian at St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee, Monsignor Guerre contracted a case of rheumatic fever and was confined to bed for three months. Although apparently never suffering any ill effects from this all through the years, it now was believed that this rheumatic fever caused an enlargement of the heart, which very likely might have been a factor in an illness that began in 1954 and would recur many times during the next few years. In 1954 he was taken to the Mercy Hospital on six different occasions. Several times the following year he was rushed to the hospital. Actually in the course of this illness, his last, he was taken to the hospital twenty-nine different times. He would seemingly recover, return to the Rectory and against the wishes of Father Peil and Father Witte, would engage in active work. He seemed never too weak or exhausted to do what he considered his "share." Hearing confessions was something he refused to consider a task, and in the last months of his life, and then only reluctantly, did he consent to allow another to act in his stead in this matter.

In the spring of 1956 plans to build the new Catholic High School in Gary are revived. The John V. McCarthy and Sons Company, under the auspices of Bishop Pursley, initiate a campaign in Gary to raise \$2,000,000.00 for this purpose. Monsignor Guerre, already a sick man but still deeply interested in St. Mark's Parish was proud when this parish pledged to this campaign \$297,233. 89. It was





At the extreme left is Fred J. Westendorf, who played guard position for the Petroleum High School basketball varsity that won the Wells County Championship of 1923.

also in the spring of 1956 that the entire area of the playground was surfaced with asphalt, providing also, a partial solution to the Sunday parking problem.

Monsignor Guerre's health did not improve. He convinced himself that he could not continue as acting pastor of such a large parish. So in May he requested Bishop Pursley to accept his resignation. The Bishop was aware of Monsignor's condition and he abided by his wishes. However, because constant hospitalization was not necessary, the Bishop asked Monsignor to continue his residence at St. Mark's Rectory. He then assigned as Administrator, Father Fred J. Westendorf on June 8, 1956. Concurrent with this change was the transfer of Father Daniel E. Peil, who had been assistant here since 1945. Father Leo J. Armbruster was appointed as assistant to succeed Father Peil.

The next four months Monsignor Guerre was admitted to the hospital several times. So in October 1956, he decided to take permanent residence at

the hospital. His condition continued to grow worse. On December 27, 1956, at the age of 58 years, he passed away. The Solemn Funeral Mass was celebrated in the presence of Bishop Pursley and 160 priests on December 31, 1956. His body was laid to rest in the Calumet Park Cemetery. Thus ended another year in the life of St. Mark's Parish. Thus ended another life of one who faithfully and loyally served it.

An intimate associate of Monsignor Guerre has described him thus: "He loved people; had a special love for children and the unfortunate; was compassionate to the sick and the shut-ins. A confidant of adults, approachable at all times, available at all times; sympathetic, understanding. Resolute, sometimes impetuous; generous with his time, person and possessions. Builder, administrator, financier. — A most colorful personality. A lover of sports with a special fondness and ability for bowling. A deeply spiritual man. In a word, 'A priest of God'."



## THE PASTOR OF ST. MARK'S TODAY

A priest is ordained to care for souls. And, because there are souls elsewhere than in the defined lines of a parish, the area of activity open to a priest is tremendous. There are souls behind the gray walls of a prison; the sick in our hospitals have souls the same as the well; the orphaned, the homeless, military men whether in training or in combat, all these and others have souls, and have a claim on the ministrations of a priest. Because of the sacramental character of the Priesthood all priests are the same. However, the creator did not endow all with the same natural talents and gifts. Some priests seem to be naturally equipped with certain ability that makes them excellent parish priests. Some seem to be best adapted to serve in the Priesthood as teachers in schools and colleges. Some are writers. Some are scientists. Some are blessed with those special qualities that make their priestly work most effective as chaplains in any one of the above mentioned institutions. However, it is rare that you find a priest who has the talent and the gift, the will and the courage to crowd into the few years of his priestly life a phase of almost every form of priestly endeavor. Such is the story, the unique story, of the twenty-five years of the life of Father Fred J. Westendorf.

### HIS EARLY YEARS

Fred Joseph Westendorf was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, May 9, 1907, the son of Joseph Westendorf and Wilhelmina Mossman Westendorf. He was the youngest of five children, all of whom are living with the exception of a sister, Josephine, who died when she was seven years of age. His eldest brother, Jack, lives in Milwaukee. Another brother, Joseph, and a sister, Wilma, make their home in Fort Wayne. He attended elementary school in Terre Haute. Then the family moved to a small place about forty miles from Fort Wayne known as Petroleum. He attended Petroleum High School for just two years, during which time he took an active part in the athletic program of the school. In his sophomore year he played guard on the basketball varsity team, the year the team were county champs. His father operated a grocery store at Petroleum and Fred assisted him in many ways, one of them being in the delivery department. To this day he attributes his dislike for driving an automobile to the days when he had to drive the delivery truck so much for the Westendorf Grocery Store. This may be a partial reason why today he tries not only to drive as little as he can, but to drive as little a car as he can. At any rate after he completed his second year

of high school he came to Fort Wayne. He discontinued high school for one year and worked in the office of the Perfection Biscuit Company in Ft. Wayne. After one year of employment at this concern, he entered St. Joseph College, Rensselaer, Indiana. Having been out of school for one year, he enlisted, after his first year at St. Joseph College, in a special class conducted during the summer months. One summer he taught a class of Mathematics at St. Joseph College. Through these summer courses and serious study during the regular school term he was able to graduate with his class in June 1927. Through the years there, his academic achievements combined with a special talent for speaking that was already recognized, brought him the distinguished honor of being the valedictorian of his class—"the class of 27."

The following September he entered St. Gregory's Seminary at Norwood, Ohio, where he completed his required course in Philosophy in June 1929. In September of that year he entered Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio, for the four years of Theology. He was ordained a priest by Bishop John Francis Noll in the Cathedral at Fort Wayne, June 10, 1933. The following day he celebrated his First Solemn Mass at the same altar where the previous day he was ordained.

It has already been mentioned that both Monsignor Ryder and Monsignor Guerre although not natives of this area were destined to spend their entire lives as priests in it. Father Westendorf, too, was not a native of this community, but he would begin his life as a priest in it, and now as we write of his Twenty-fifth Jubilee Year, he is serving it again.

### HIS FIRST ASSIGNMENTS

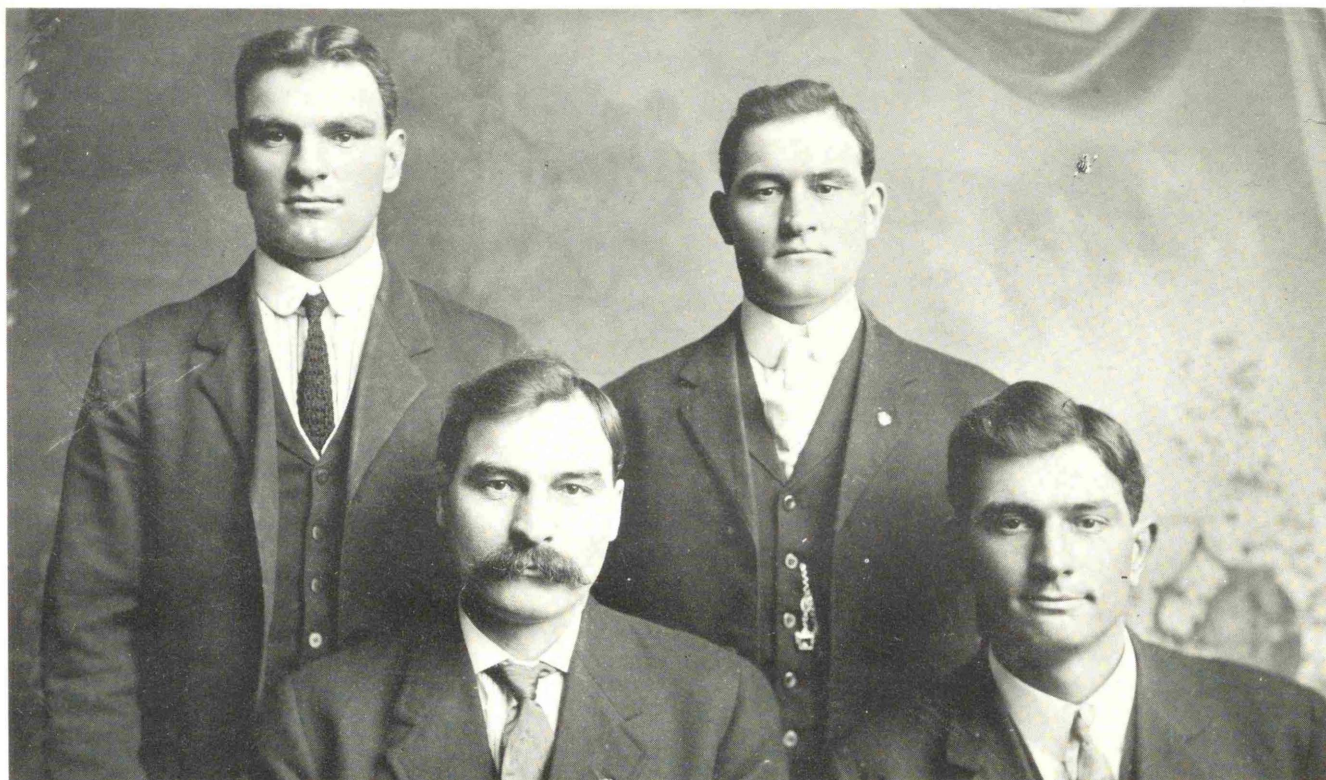
Immediately after his ordination he was appointed as a part-time assistant to Father Joseph Lynn at St. Mary's in Michigan City, Indiana. At the same time he was directed to act as chaplain at the Indiana State Prison, where as a young priest, he came into contact with that unfortunate segment of society that need spiritual help so much, but want it so little. To a schedule that would already occupy a good part of the day, he was given an added assignment in September 1933, to teach at Noll High School in Hammond, Indiana. Now it became necessary for him to have an automobile. He purchased a used Model A Ford. Whether referring to the antiquity of the vehicle or to its fragility, the pupils at Noll High School borrowed a name from Ancient Roman Mythology and called the car "Narcissus." But despite its name it provided transportation.





Ordained a Priest June 10, 1933, in Fort Wayne, Indiana.





THE WESTENDORFS A GENERATION AGO  
*Seated:* Joseph, (Father Westendorf's father), Ben.  
*Standing:* Henry and Fred Westendorf.



THE WESTENDORFS TODAY  
*Front row:* Wilma, Mrs. Nora Watt, and Joseph Westendorf.  
*Back row:* Father Fred Westendorf and his brother Jack.





1934—ROME CITY, INDIANA

Bishop Noll shared with Father Westendorf a deep interest in the welfare of youth. Third from right, seated next to Father Westendorf is the Bishop. At the time photo was taken, the others in the group, now ordained priests, were seminarians, assisting Father Westendorf in the operation of a camp for youth.

This combined assignment of Prison Chaplain, part-time assistant, and teacher at the high school last for one year. In June 1934, Father Westendorf is appointed as assistant to Father John Costello at the Gary-Alerding Settlement House and St. Anthony's Chapel. He lived at the Settlement House for about six months and then took residence at Holy Angels Rectory and assumed the duties of part-time assistant to Monsignor Jansen. At this time he was also made the Diocesan and Deanery Director of the C.Y.O.

#### HIS WORK WITH YOUTH

Many will long remember the first years of Father Westendorf's life and work in Gary in terms of a gifted speaker. The famous dialogue-instruction courses given by himself and Monsignor Guerre (also a talented speaker), the sermons delivered during Lent, at Forty Hours Devotion, and other special occasions, and the addresses presented at Graduation Exercises, all these marked him from the beginning as outstanding in this particular field.

However, I think that he will be equally remembered for the splendid work he did for the youth of Gary.

Every priest is keenly interested in the welfare of the young, and desirous of doing everything for them. But not every priest has the talent, or the patience, the sympathy or the understanding to effectively achieve this. Not every priest has the personality that commands the complete confidence of youth in him. Not every priest is qualified for this type of work. To say that Father Westendorf was specially gifted in this regard would be, to those who know him, a mere mention of something that is most obvious.

As Director of the C.Y.O. he organized, with the assistance of Mr. Gratten Dugan, the Catholic Boy Scouts and served as their chaplain on a Diocesan basis.

It was through the efforts of Father Westendorf that the Settlement House became a member agency of the Gary Community Chest. Today it derives 55





CHAPLAIN WESTENDORF distributing Holy Communion at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, where the 38th Division was stationed at the time.

per cent of its operating and maintenance expense from the Community Chest.

During his years at this institution he found time to organize almost every form of recreation popular at the time, and he constantly and successfully encouraged active participation in its every form. He was instrumental in improving the facilities for recreation there, making it a place to which the young would want to come.

His work with the youth was not limited merely to providing for their physical welfare. His association with the young through this recreational program provided for him contracts whereby he was able to advise and direct and guide them in spiritual matters as well. But, perhaps, one of the most significant contributions he made in this respect was introducing into the Public High Schools of Gary the famed "Bible Studies."





LT. COL. FRED J. WESTENDORF






The Bronze Star Medal is presented to Lt. Col. Fred J. Westendorf by General Spence, June 20, 1945, for meritorious achievement in ground operations against the enemy.

Prior to the time he accomplished this, the Sisters from the Settlement House would go to the high schools and were permitted to give instructions to the Catholic pupils there, but it was during the gym class. Those who wished to attend these classes would leave the gym class and attend the instruction. Even this was a concession on the part of the school authorities, but it certainly was not the most inviting for pupils who lived athletics and the relaxation afforded by a gym class. Through the influence of Father Westendorf, and his offer to conduct the classes himself, the school authorities agreed to schedule in their elective curriculum a subject known as "Bible Studies," and to rank it as a credit-earning course, that would count as any other course for graduation. Some years ago a decision of the Supreme Court spearheaded by the famous McCollum case forced authorities to abandon this course in Religious Instruction. However, for many years it provided for many boys and girls a better understanding and appreciation of their Catholic Faith.

In June 1935, he was appointed Director of the Settlement House and Pastor of St. Anthony's Chapel. One year later he was relieved of his pastoral duties at St. Anthony's so that he could devote his entire self to work with the young. He continued in this capacity for the next five years, assisting on Sundays at Sacred Heart Parish, St. Mary of the



**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:


THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT  
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, FEBRUARY 4, 1944  
HAS AWARDED


**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**


TO

Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) Frederick J. Westendorf, O 336 113

FOR  
MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT  
IN GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST THE ENEMY  
Pacific Theater of Operations, 29 January - 30 June 1945  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON  
THIS 20th DAY OF June 1945

  
MAJOR GENERAL, USA  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
WAR OFFICE

  
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

The Award.



Lake, and St. Francis Xavier in East Gary. In 1938 he joined the National Guard unit in Gary, but continued in the above mentioned work with the same interest and zeal he had when he first became engaged in it.

In January 1941, he was sent to Camp Shelby, Mississippi, with the 113th Engineers Regiment, where he was to stay for one year for active field training. When word got around that he was leaving the Settlement House he began to receive what eventually amounted to a flood of letters. Some from city officials, professional men, business men, priests, laymen, journalists and others, all expressing their sincere regret at his departure. A friend of Father Westendorf had all of these letters—almost two hundred—bound in book-form as a souvenir for him to keep. It was certainly a convincing gesture that whatever satisfaction he might have gotten from working with Gary youth, his efforts and achievements were a fact recognized and appreciated by those who regretfully realized he would be with them in this capacity no longer.

On December 7, 1941, a day America will long remember, Pearl Harbor was attacked, and all available divisions of the Army were federalized into active service. Father Westendorf was made Division Artillery Chaplain of the 38th Infantry Division, the first priest to be activated in the "38th."

#### CHAPLAIN IN THE U.S. ARMY

For reasons best known to themselves those who have served with the Armed Forces in actual combat are extremely reticent in speaking about or making reference to incidents that occurred in battle. Episodes that happened in transit, humorous events, things like these are the only "War Stories" they seem to remember. Through correspondence with two Catholic Chaplains who served with Father Westendorf an effort was made to discover or uncover such incidents, but it was futile. Both replied, but spoke only in a general way: of the excellent qualities of their comrade; his concern for the enlisted man, and countless other admirable observations that gave him the splendid record that was his as an Army Chaplain. Consequently, our story of Father Westendorf's life as a chaplain will be brief, but significant.

He was in active service only a short time when he was advanced to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. As Division Artillery Chaplain with the 38th Infantry Division, he served in combat duty almost exclusively in the Southwest Pacific. This involved him in the Asiatic Pacific Campaign, the New Guinea Campaign, the Southern Pacific Campaign, and the Northern Pacific Campaign. For outstand-

ing achievements in these various fields of battle he received the following awards: **The American Defense Service Ribbon; three Bronze Service Stars, and the American Campaign Ribbon.** Finally, on **June 20, 1945, General Spence conferred on Father Westendorf the distinguished honor of the Bronze Star Medal.** For those who do not appreciate or understand the significant meaning of these honors, an explanation would be impossible. For those who do understand, no explanation is necessary.

#### NEXT TEN YEARS IN THE FORT WAYNE AREA

Father Westendorf returned to civilian status March 7, 1946. One month later he was appointed as Spiritual Director of Central Catholic High School with residence at the Chancery Office, Fort Wayne. This position at the high school he retained for the next ten years in addition to four other different, but responsible appointments. On July 9, 1946, he was assigned as Pastor of St. Joseph Church in Roanoke, Indiana, with Nix Settlement as a Mission. On November 7, 1946, he was transferred to St. Joseph Church, Hessen Cassel, Indiana, as Pastor. During the three and one half years here, he renovated the Rectory and made improvements in the School. On July 5, 1950, he was appointed the Pastor of St. Joseph Church in Fort Wayne. He was at this parish only two years, but in that time he directed the planning and building of a new convent for the Sisters. He also planned and directed the beginning of construction of the new school at St. Joseph Parish.

The 1st of July, 1952, took Father Westendorf to St. Vincent Villa in Fort Wayne, where he continued his work as Spiritual Director of Central Catholic High School in Fort Wayne, became chaplain of the Orphanage there, and was made part-time chaplain of the Veterans Hospital for the mentally ill in Marion, Indiana. On June 8, 1956, he was appointed by Bishop Pursley as Administrator of St. Mark's Parish in Gary, Indiana.

#### TWO YEARS AT ST. MARK'S

As we write these lines, Father Westendorf approaches the end of two years at St. Mark's. The first two years of the parish's existence it was without a pastor. These last two years it has had the benefit of one most concerned about preserving the spiritual heritage inculcated by his two worthy predecessors, Monsignor Ryder and Monsignor Guerre, as well as preserving the material heritage bequeathed to him as pastor.

In the Fall of 1956, after consultation with the Trustees of the Parish, with the authorization and





The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Leo B. Scheidler, purchased in the name of the Parish by Father Westendorf in September, 1956. This property is located at 3557 Jackson Street.

encouragement of Bishop Pursley, he secured the services of Mr. Leo B. Scheidler as maintenance engineer. Mr. Scheidler for almost forty years was employed in the same capacity at St. Gregory Seminary in Norwood, Ohio. At the same time, with the approval of the Trustess and the direction of Bishop Pursley, Father Westendorf purchased the house and property at 3557 Jackson Street as residence for Mr. and Mrs. Scheidler. The cost of this transaction was \$17,817.03.

Aware that the current Sunday Mass Schedule was inadequate to accommodate everyone, he began a Mass at 9:00 A.M. in the Auditorium simultaneous with the 9:00 Mass in the main Church. Already this arrangement existed for the 11:30 Mass. It was continued. And to lessen the discomfort and inconvenience of those who attended Mass in the Auditorium, he purchased 300 chair-kneeler combination units.

In the Spring of 1957 he had the entire interior of the Rectory redecorated. Later he directed the installation of a lighting system for the parking area here, an accommodation deeply appreciated by all. Countless minor projects and some major ones have been engineered by him since his coming to St. Mark's Parish. He is moderator of the Holy Name

Society, the Archconfraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, and the Parent-Teacher Association. Besides conducting a regularly scheduled Instruction Class for high school students, he also conducts the Inquiry Class for Converts. Several months ago he introduced into the daily schedule here a Mass at 11:00 A.M., making it possible for most of the children and many adults to attend Holy Mass daily and receive Holy Communion. In June 1957 he was appointed as Pastor of St. Mark Parish.

In addition to his many duties and responsibilities as Pastor of St. Mark's, he was appointed by Bishop Grutka, Deanery Moderator of the National Council of Catholic Men, and an Examiner of the Clergy. In the twentieth year of his affiliation with the U. S. Army he holds the position of Division Chaplain of the National Guard of Indiana.

There is a fine distinction between saying too little and saying too much. We have tried to avoid these two extremes in presenting the story of the three pastors of St. Marks. In behalf of the two who are no longer with us, may a prayerful memory of them never leave us. To the third, our Silver Jubilarian "Ad Multos Annos." May God grant to him many more years in His Service as abundantly fruitful as have been his first "Twenty-five."



Commemorative of the Silver Anniversary  
of  
Father Fred J. Westendorf

was a Solemn High Mass coram Episcopo  
SUNDAY, MAY 18, 1958, at 10:00 A.M.  
celebrated in the presence of

HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA, D.D.  
Bishop of Gary, Indiana

Celebrant.....FATHER FRED J. WESTENDORF  
Deacon.....FATHER RAY GOODMAN  
Subdeacon.....FATHER JEROME KOENIG  
Master of Ceremonies.....FATHER LOUIS LETKO  
Sermon.....FATHER STANLEY KUSMAN, S.M.

An informal Parish Reception was held in the evening  
honoring the Silver Jubilee of Father Westendorf.





FATHER CASIMIR MOSWINSKI

Father Casimir Moswinski was the first permanent Assistant of St. Mark's Parish. He was born in South Bend, Indiana, March 2, 1907. He attended St. Adalbert's Elementary School in South Bend. His preparatory studies for the Priesthood were made at Orchard Lake in Michigan. His Theological Studies were begun and completed at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was ordained a Priest May 30, 1931, in the Cathedral in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Before coming to St. Mark's, he served as Assistant in St. Emeric's in Gary, and Holy Trinity Parish in East Chicago. February 1, 1935, he was appointed as assistant to Father Ryder. He was stationed here at St. Mark's for four years. During this time he was very active in the Scouting movement. In 1940, when St. Mark's was the largest scouting division in Lake county, Father Moswinski, with J. G. Kulick and Grattan V. Duggan on the executive board of the Gary Council. July 9, 1939, he was appointed as administrator of Sacred Heart Parish in Tolleston. In 1942, he was transferred to Ege. In November, 1949, he became the pastor of St. John's in Goshen. Since June 7, 1957, he has been the pastor of St. Michael's Church in Plymouth, Indiana.

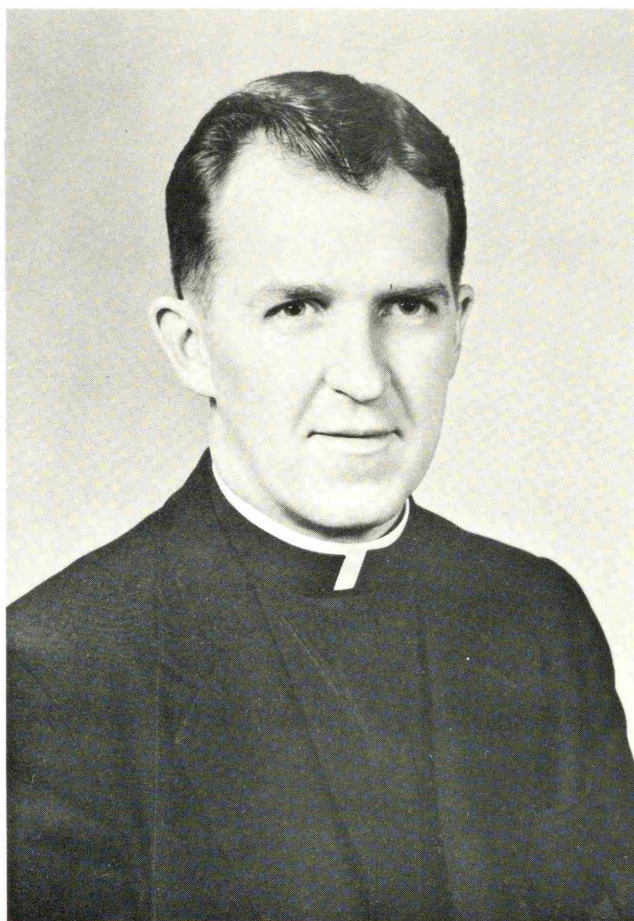




FATHER LAWRENCE T. GROTHOUSE

Father Grothouse was born in Reynolds, Indiana, February 25, 1906. He pursued his studies for the Priesthood at St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Indiana. He took his course in Philosophy at St. Gregory's Seminary, Norwood, Ohio. He began and completed his studies in Theology at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio. He was ordained a priest in the Cathedral of Fort Wayne, Indiana, May 22, 1939, by Bishop Noll. His first assignment was that of assistant at St. Mark's Parish, July 8, 1939. He was active as a director of youth from the beginning. Was made C.Y.O. Deanery Director later. Sponsored and coached several dramatic projects, was prominent in civic affairs, and much revered by Monsignor Ryder. He directed many improvements on the school playground. On February 28, 1945, he was appointed pastor of St. Anthony's Church. Shortly before Monsignor Ryder's death he was assigned to St. Mark's again to take the place of Monsignor Ryder, who at the time was in failing health. When Father Guerre was appointed Pastor of St. Mark's, July 7, 1947, Father Grothouse returned to St. Anthony's where he is pastor today.





FATHER DANIEL E. PEIL

Father Peil was born in Monroeville, Indiana, April 10, 1918, the son of Louis W. Peil and Rose Kauffman Peil. He attended St. Mary's elementary school in Fort Wayne. He began his studies for the Priesthood at St. Joseph College, Rensselaer, Indiana, and completed them at St. Meinrad Seminary, St. Meinrad, Indiana. He was ordained June 6, 1943, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne. From June until October of 1943, he was assigned as assistant at St. Joseph Church, Hammond, Indiana. In October, 1943, he was transferred to St. Bridget's, Hobart, and in March, 1945, was appointed as successor to Father Grothouse, assistant to Monsignor Ryder at St. Mark's. He was stationed at St. Mark's for more than ten years and in that time showed himself a successful director of youth in many ways: as moderator of a very active C.Y.O., as Diocesan director of Catholic Scouts, through his weekly Instructions to pupils attending public high schools—and finally as director of the Young Girls' Sodality. Like his predecessor, he took an active part in civic functions. Through his efforts the Christian Family Movement was organized not only in St. Mark's but in the city of Gary itself. In June, 1956, he was transferred as assistant to the place where he was ordained a priest, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, Indiana.





FATHER JOHN C. WITTE

Father John C. Witte was born October 1, 1918, the son of John C. and Gladys Witte in Fort Wayne. He attended St. Jude's Elementary School in Fort Wayne. He began preparatory studies for the Priesthood at St. Lawrence College, Mt. Calvary, Wisconsin. He was then sent to the Catholic University of America on a scholarship and at the completion of this special course in Philosophy was awarded a Master of Arts degree. He took his Theology course at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland. He was ordained a priest in the Cathedral at Fort Wayne, February 2, 1945. His first appointment took him to St. Bridget's in Hobart. In July, 1946, he was sent to St. Paul's in Valparaiso. In July, 1949, he was transferred to St. Mark's in Gary, Indiana. Among the ordinary duties and responsibilities that can fill the daily routine of any priest, observers have pointed out these memorable achievements. Shortly after he was here he organized and conducted, until a few months before he left St. Mark's, a male choir. He started in St. Mark's Parish the Legion of Mary. The five distinct units, called "Praesidia" here in St. Mark's were organized by him. He was deanery moderator of the Legion of Mary and holds that position now in Hammond. He was the first moderator of the Serra Club, an organization of laymen who endeavor to encourage and help vocations to the religious life and to the priesthood. Finally, and in spite of his many other duties, he found time to plan and with his own manual labor see as reality the construction of a sanctuary and altar in the auditorium of the Church Building. Not to detract in any way from his part of this project, he can well share the honor with Mr. Joseph Kulick, currently a custom cabinet designer and a trustee of St. Mark's. June 8, 1957, he was transferred to St. Joseph Church in Hammond, Indiana.

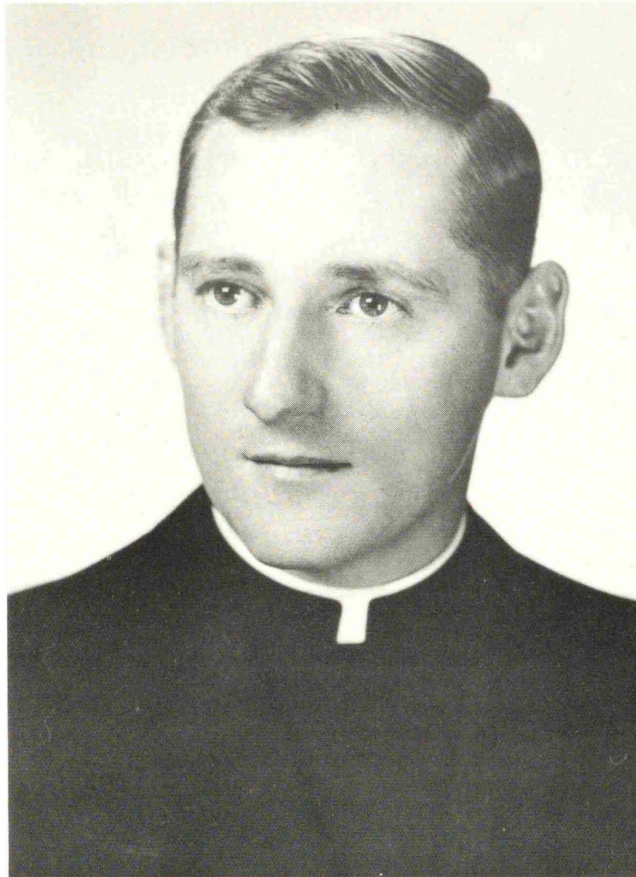




FATHER LEO J. ARMBRUSTER

Father Armbruster was born in Shelby, Ohio, December 13, 1916, the son of Jerome Armbruster and Catherine Moore Armbruster. He attended the elementary school of St. Mary's in Shelby. He entered and completed his minor seminary course at St. Meinrad, Indiana. After a three year course at the Catholic University of America, he was assigned to take his course in Theology at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland. He was ordained in the chapel of the Seminary, November 17, 1943. On December 10, 1943, he was assigned as assistant at St. Peter's in Fort Wayne, Indiana. In June, 1956, he was appointed as assistant to Father Westendorf at St. Mark's Parish, Gary, Indiana.





#### FATHER CARL F. MENGELING

Father Mengeling was born in Highland, Indiana, October 22, 1930, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mengeling, Sr. He attended the grade school and high school at Griffith, Indiana. In September, 1949, he entered the Minor Seminary at St. Meinrad, Indiana. Two years later he pursued his studies for the Priesthood at St. Meinrad Major Seminary, St. Meinrad, Indiana. He was ordained May 25, 1957, in Holy Angels Cathedral, Gary, Indiana. June 13, 1957, he was assigned as Assistant to Father Westendorf at St. Mark's Parish, here in Gary. In addition to his work with youth, which includes C.Y.O. moderator, Director of the Mass Servers, and Moderator of the Scouting program, he also is active in the Legion of Mary work and in the Christian Family Movement.



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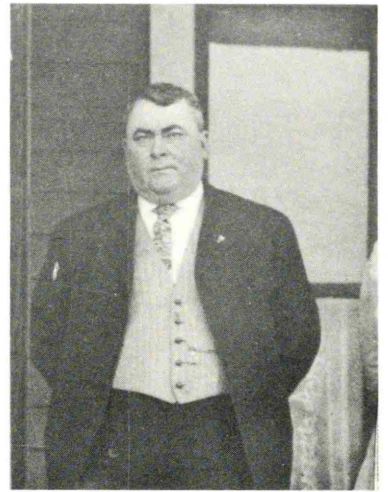
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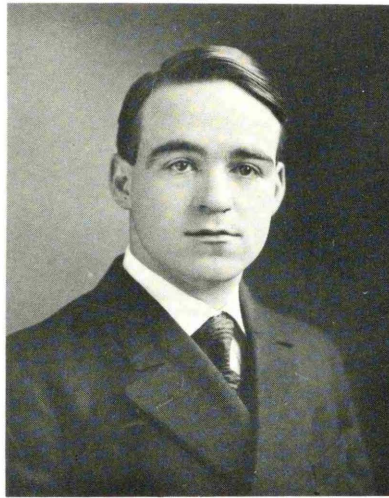
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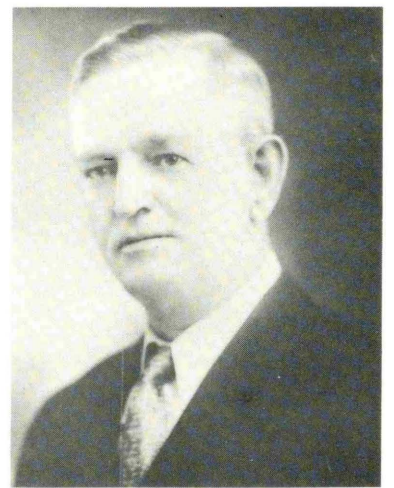
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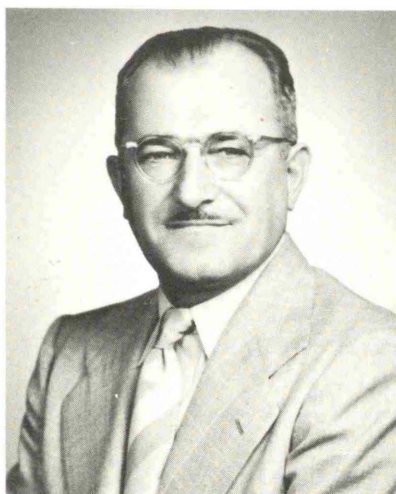
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There were many from St. Mark's Parish who took part in World War II and in the Korean conflict. There were some who never returned. In behalf of those who gave their lives so you and I could keep ours we offer a fervent prayer. Eternal rest grant unto them.

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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

This group was founded here at St. Mark's in 1923 by Monsignor Ryder. Designed to encourage a more devout and frequent reception of Holy Communion, it is open to all the men of the parish. In addition to this main purpose of the society it also provides for the pastor an instrument for many parish projects that might otherwise necessitate special temporary organizations. Currently, the Holy Name Society sponsors the outside Christmas crib.

### THE ARCHCONFRATERNITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Almost concurrent with the establishment of the Holy Name Society for the men of St. Mark's, Father Ryder organized for the women the Archconfraternity of the Blessed Sacrament. Its purpose and functions are very much akin to those of the Holy Name. Monthly corporate Communion, with emphasis on devotion to Blessed Sacrament is the primary aim of the group. Through their various social activities, they have through the years contributed much to the Parish, not merely in a spiritual way but also in a material way as well.

### ST. MARY ELIZABETH CIRCLE

This group, whose current membership is fifteen, was organized by Mrs. Harold Phipps, Mrs. Ben Hall, and Mrs. William Glover in the Spring of 1942. At the time of its inception, it was intended to provide various items needed in the war effort, including blankets, sweaters, socks, etc. Gas rationing which obtained at the time was the cause why members were required to live within walking distance of each other. When the war ended they continued their work by supplying Mercy Hospital and the T.B. Sanitarium with auxiliary aids, such as gowns and cancer patient equipment. Currently, they launder the altar linens for the Church. Under the guidance of Father Westendorf, they have recently adopted the practice of reciting daily a portion of the Divine Office. The group took its name from that of the mother of Monsignor Ryder, recently deceased, at the time.

### THE PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

March 19, 1935, Monsignor Ryder organized at St. Mark's the P.T.A., a group that conducts monthly meetings, and seek, through a closer association with the faculty members of the school, to achieve a better understanding of the difficulties or problems that might arise at school with their children. They endeavor to provide assistance when needed to the Sisters in a variety of ways. Through different forms of entertainment and social events they have, through the years, been an instrument of genuine service to St. Mark's School.

### THE LEGION OF MARY

January 17, 1952, with the approval of Monsignor Guerre, Father Witte organized the first Legion of Mary unit here at St. Mark's. The main purpose of the Legion is the personal sanctification of its members by prayer and by active cooperation with pastoral guidance and approval, the sanctification of others. They visit the sick, shut-ins, delinquent Catholics, etc. At the present time there are in St. Mark's Parish five separate units of the Legion of Mary, called "Praesidia." As the name indicates, the Legion has as its patron, Our Blessed Mother.

### CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION

For more than twenty years there has been in St. Mark's an active C.Y.O. For both grade school and high school students an athletic program is open. High school students have in addition to this phase of recreation a very inviting social program, all designed to provide for the young, good wholesome recreation. Football, baseball, basketball, dances, outings, skating parties, etc., are part of advantages offered to the members of the C.Y.O.

### THE BOY SCOUTS AND THE GIRL SCOUTS ORGANIZATION

Another opportunity for the young at St. Mark's is provided by a very active scout program. Photos in this book indicate the many adults who sacrifice their time and effort to guide and direct the various projects of this wonderful program. The Scouts were first organized at St. Mark's in 1935.



# THE USHERS OF ST. MARK'S PARISH



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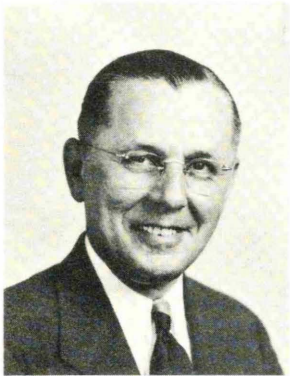
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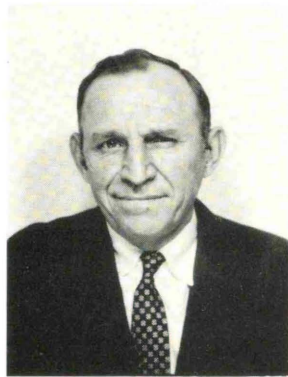
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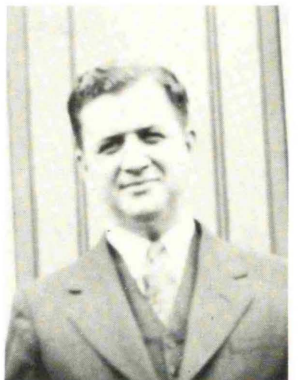
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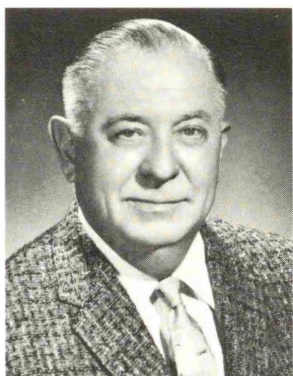
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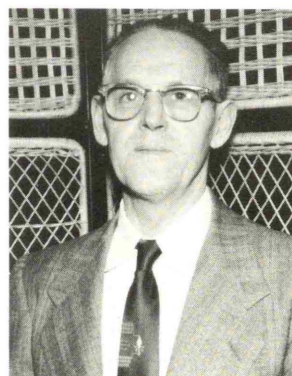
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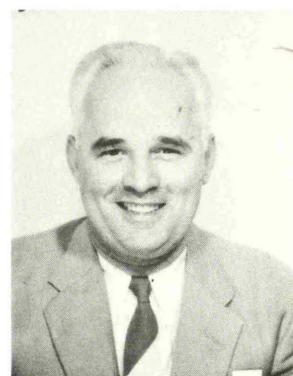
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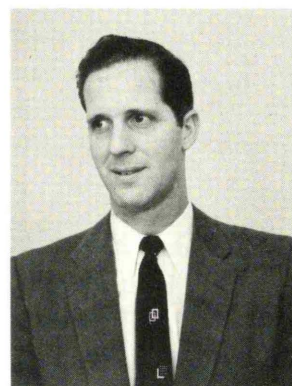


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CLEM POVLOCK not present  
when photos were taken.



RAY ATZHORN



## GIRLS FROM ST. MARK'S SCHOOL NOW IN RELIGIOUS ORDERS

Kathleen Kelley—Sister M. Marjaleen, P.H.J.C., St. Ann School, Gary, Indiana.  
Susan Klich—Sister M. Josetta, P.H.J.C., Angel Guardian Orphanage, Chicago, Illinois.  
Charlene Kramer—Sister Carol Ann, P.H.J.C., St. Mary's School, Carlyle, Illinois.  
Sarah Ryan—Sister Mary Kevin, P.H.J.C., St. Augustine's School, Chicago, Illinois.  
Mildred Tomasic—Sister M. Celine, P.H.J.C., St. Boniface School, Edwardsville, Illinois.  
Eileen Whitten—Sister M. Susan, P.H.J.C., St. Monica's School, Mishawaka, Indiana.  
Elizabeth Wodtke—Sister M. Francis Jerome, C.S.C., Bishop Noll High School, Hammond, Indiana.  
Magdalene Zimmerman—Sister M. Augustine, P.H.J.C., St. Ann's Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.  
Patricia Blaschke—Sister M. Dolores, O.S.F., Mt. Alverno, Mishawaka, Indiana.  
Eileen Owens—Candidate.  
Mary Ann Cholodinski—Candidate.  
Rita O'Malley—Candidate

## BOYS FROM ST. MARK'S PREPARING FOR THE PRIESTHOOD

Roger Seeberger	Thomas Volkman
Joseph Zajdel	Andrew Bires
Edward Labus	Edward Komechak
Douglas Haley, Jr.	

Brother Vincent Tomaszewski, a graduate from St. Mark's School, is a member of the Holy Cross Congregation, Notre Dame, Indiana.

## SOME VITAL STATISTICS ABOUT ST. MARK'S PARISH

1. Since the founding of the Parish, 4,253 infants have been Baptized here at St. Mark's.
2. In the thirty-seven years of its existence, 1,432 Marriages have taken place in the Parish.
3. Fifteen years ago, in 1942, there were only 400 children in St. Mark's School. Today the school enrollment is almost 900.
4. The first marriage in St. Mark's Parish took place February 4, 1922, between Carlo Terlicher and Aurelia Chiabai.
5. The first marriage in the present Church was in 1927 between George Geisen and Florence Powers.
6. The first child baptized in the present Church was Mary Catherine Minier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Minier.
7. Today there are approximately 2,000 families registered at St. Mark's Parish.





FATHER JOHN CHARLEBOIS, Pro-Chancellor of the Diocese of Gary, Indiana.

GRADUATES FROM ST. MARK'S SCHOOL WHO ARE NOW PRIESTS

FATHER LEONARD PUSATERI, S.D.S., member of teaching faculty at Salvatorian Seminary, St. Nazianz, Wisconsin.







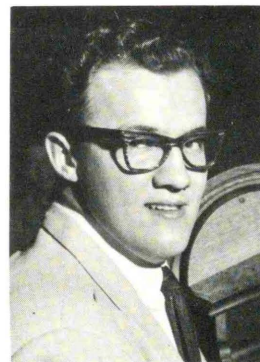
#### ST. MARK'S MALE CHOIR

*Left to right:* David Jordan, Director and organist, George Smay, James Bridenthall, Stephen Chicos, Peter Gilea, Frank Vitalone. (Not present when photo was taken are: Robert Ballway, Eugene Garner, Peter Seibel, Bert Gilles, James Keough, Larry Faitak, and Don Knoop.)



KATHERINE ALLEN

From the beginning of St. Mark's Parish up till only a few years ago, Miss Katherine Allen was organist. Thirty years at an organ console speaks for itself. May her loyalty and devotion ever be an inspiration to those gifted souls who choose to follow her.



MR. DAVID JORDAN, present organist and choir director.





**CROWNING OF THE BLESSED MOTHER STATUE  
AT OBLATE MISSION HOUSE**

*Left to right: Janie Ornelas, Sharon D'Lugai, Georganne Marlow, Carol Karaffa, Margaret Frankovich, Mary Alice Wigmore, Mary Martin, Susan Wilson, Mary Ellen Daugherty, Angeline Kamanski, Annie Ornelas, and Phyllis Beaty. This ceremony of St. Mark's Girl Scouts in May, 1954, was sponsored and directed by Mrs. Don Bazin, Mrs. David Martin, and Mrs. William Wigmore.*

**NATIVITY SCENE AT CHRISTMAS TIME**

Several years ago, three men, with Father Ryder's permission, purchased a large pine tree, mounted it on the crest of the hill directly in front of the Church and equipped it with appropriate illumination for Christmastide. It became more elaborate each succeeding year, until eventually they decided to build in its stead a beautiful Christmas crib. A project now sponsored by the Holy Name Society, it has become a tradition of St. Mark's Parish.







Solemn close of Men's Mission—March, 1958.



Concluding ceremony of Men's Mission conducted by Oblate Fathers—renewal of baptismal vows—March, 1958.





OFFICERS OF THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY FOR 1958

*Seated, left to right:* Vice-president, Leonard Anello; President, Edward Evans; Treasurer, Michael Ligda.

*Standing:* Financial Secretary, Charles Ambrose; Secretary, Joseph Cochran.



St. Mark's Knights of the Altar.





St. Mark's Boy's Choir.



Patrol boys of St. Mark's School.





Cub Scouts of St. Mark's Parish.



#### CUB SCOUT LEADERS

*Seated, left to right:* Mrs. C. Povlock, Mrs. J. Dunn, Mrs. S. Polomchak, Mrs. P. Frankovich, Mrs. T. Seccina, Mrs. B. Councilor, Mrs. O. Aubuchon.  
*Standing:* J. Mayer, D. Bazin, S. Polomochak, P. Frankovich, D. Martin, D. Mathews.  
*Not present when picture was taken:* Dr. M. Gregoline and C. Daugherty.





LEGION OF MARY GROUP—MARY, REFUGE OF SINNERS PRAESIDIUM  
*Left to right: Ann Pusateri, Mrs. Al Greenaae, Mary A. Vrlich, Al Greenaae, Thomas Stackert, Andrew Velchek, George Tomasich, Josephine Hay, Mary Kupec, Judy Kaufman.*



LEGION OF MARY GROUP—MARY PORTA COELI PRAESIDIUM  
*Left to right: Irma Chiabai, Mary O'Malley, Eleanor Starkey, Beverly Vavrek, Joan Collett, Mrs. Guadelupe Chavez, Jerry Eckert, Mary Chiabai.*  
*Back row: Frank Fransioli, Byrne O'Malley and Buck Lahaie.*





LEGION OF MARY GROUP—MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK PRAESIDIUM  
*Left to right: Mrs. T. B. Lorenty, Joseph Bellino, Mrs. Anna Rongers, Mrs. Joseph Kralis, Thomas Mazzaro, and Mrs. Thomas Mazzaro.*  
*Absent when picture was taken: Mrs. Clement Povlock and Mrs. George Elischer.*



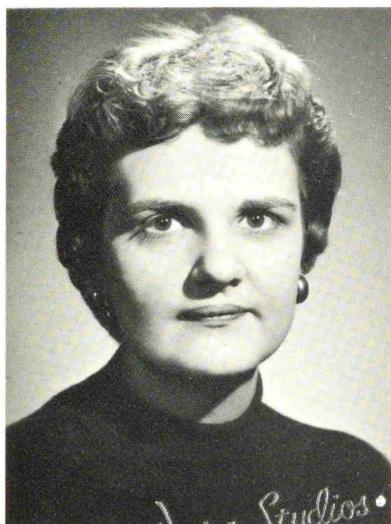
LEGION OF MARY GROUP—OUR LADY OF MERCY PRAESIDIUM  
*Left to right: Lorraine Lorenty, Judy Kaufman, Dolores Stapinski, Lorraine Labus, Doris Vician, Theresa Bauer, Charlene Love, Donna Farber.*  
*Absent when picture was taken: Darlene Farber and Wilma Knoop.*





JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY GROUP—  
OUR LADY OF CONFIDENCE PRAESIDIUM

*Seated, left to right:* Paul Radice, Carol Coonce, Carolyn Vician, John Labus.  
*Standing:* Kathleen Skovira, Karol Karaffa, Patricia Vahary, Arlene Balakir, Ernest Taliani, Ronald Ziolkowski, Judith Janda.



JOAN DZYACKY



JEAN MIHALICK



TERESA ANELLO

Former active members of the Young Ladies Sodality, these three have loyally continued certain tasks once assumed as projects of the Sodality.





ST. MARK'S P.T.A. OFFICERS OF 1938

*Seated, left to right:* Mrs. C. J. Kramer, Mrs. David P. Stanton, Mrs. P. Sullivan.  
*Standing:* Mrs. John Winkler, Mrs. George Michaely, Mrs. Patrick Doherty.



ST. MARK'S P.T.A. OFFICERS OF 1958

*Back row, left to right:* Mrs. Ben Moles, Mrs. John Erdei, Mrs. Delbert Lobdell, Mrs. John Dunn.  
*Front row:* Mrs. Lou Chelich, Mrs. Michael Ligda, Mrs. Arthur Mucci, Mrs. Michael Yaros.





FACULTY OF ST. MARK'S SCHOOL IN 1958

*Back row, left to right: Sister Carmelita, Sister Charlotte, Sister Benno, Sister Agnes, Sister Johnel, Sister Andrew, Sister Dominica, Sister Regina, Sister Maurice.*

*Front row: Miss Joan Shonske, Sister Pascal, Sister Marlene, Sister Jacinta, Sister Laurita, Sister Charlita, Sister Valeriana, Sister Martina, Mrs. Arnold Jergens.*



ST. MARY ELIZABETH CIRCLE

*First row, left to right: Arthella Mills, Mary E. Daugherty, Helen DeGan, Irene Kralis.*

*Second row: Margaret Dalby, Ann Corns, Jean Nilges, Peg Swayze.*

*Third row: Mary A. Foster, Eleanor McLaughlin, Jay Largura.*

*Absent from photo: Mrs. Dufresne, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Elio Largura.*





OFFICERS OF THE ARCHCONFRATERNITY OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT 1958

*Left to right:* Mrs. Joseph Tapajna, Mrs. Everett Nixon, Mrs. Michael Tomich, Mrs. Charles Wise, Mrs. David Stanton, Mrs. Donald Marconi, Mrs. Elwood Robinson.



ST. MARK'S GIRL SCOUT LEADERS

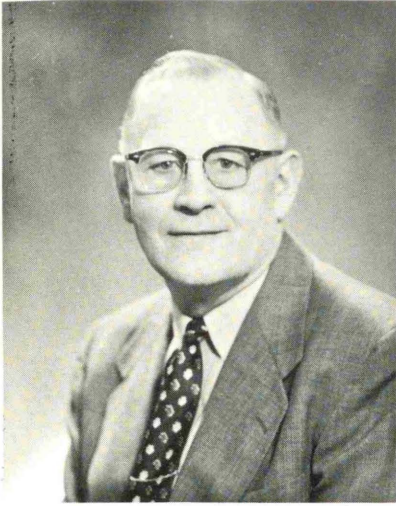
*Standing, left to right:* Mrs. Anthony Sipiora, Mrs. John Adams, Mrs. Nick Vuko, Mrs. Edward Bielewicz, Mrs. George Marlow, Mrs. Edward Syrk, Mrs. Joseph Olds.

*Seated:* Mrs. Dan Bazin, Mrs. John Mayer, Mrs. Frank Ramirez, Mrs. Joseph Czecowski.

*Absent:* Mrs. David Martin, Mrs. Frank Willy, Mrs. Michael Heveder, Mrs. Raymond Atzhorn.



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**C.F.M. ACTION GROUP**

*Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shingler, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Giegel, Mr. and Mrs. Cosimo Pusateri, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Vician, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Anello.*



**C.F.M. ACTION GROUP**

*Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cialkowski, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Oprish, Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Methot, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Lobdell.  
Absent: Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Reba.*





#### C.F.M. SECTION

*Left to right:* Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Willy, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kuleck, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ligda, Mr. and Mrs. Cosimo Pusateri.



#### C.F.M. ACTION GROUP

*Left to right:* Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kuleck, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lidga, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kundich, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anton, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Urbanek.





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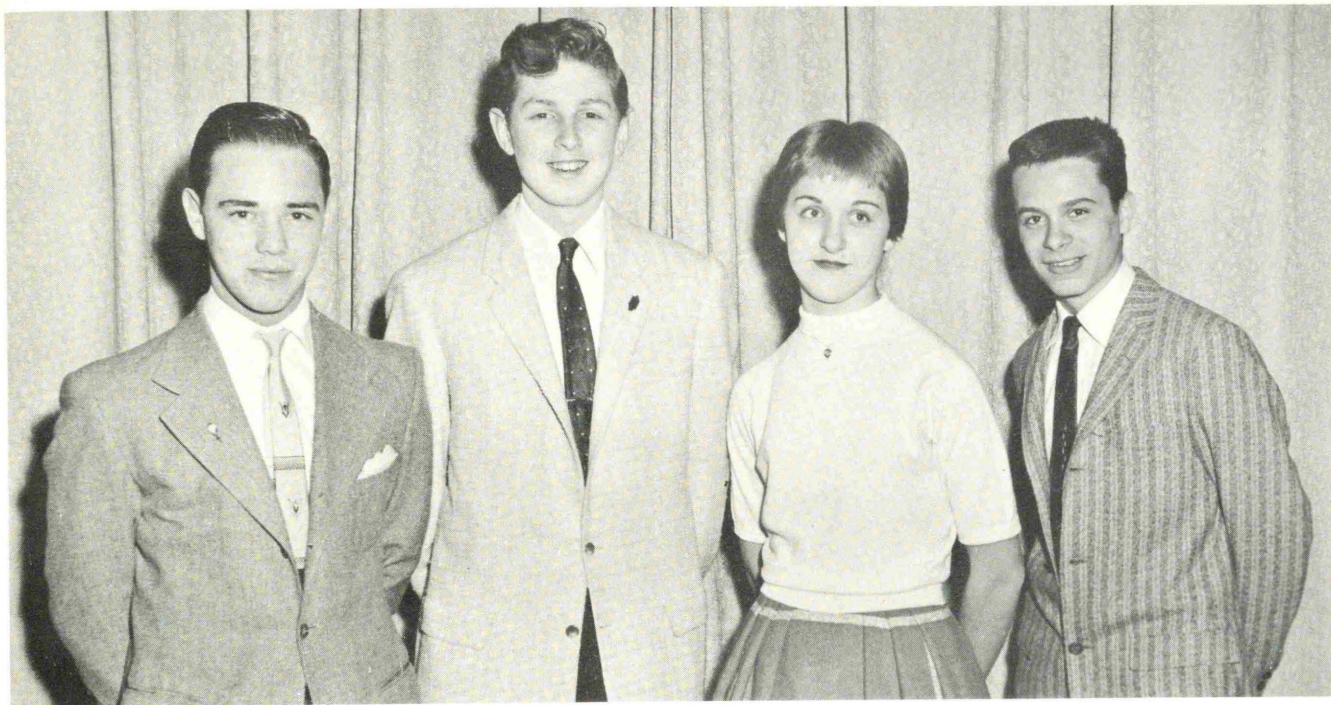
*Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. David Driver, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kuleck, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Foster, Mr. and Mrs. John McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kurth.*



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*Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Carol, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Barlock, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Urbanek, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Fagen.*





**C.Y.O. OFFICERS OF 1958**  
*Left to right: Charles Fagen, John Kunske, Mary Goluch, Dennis Tully.*

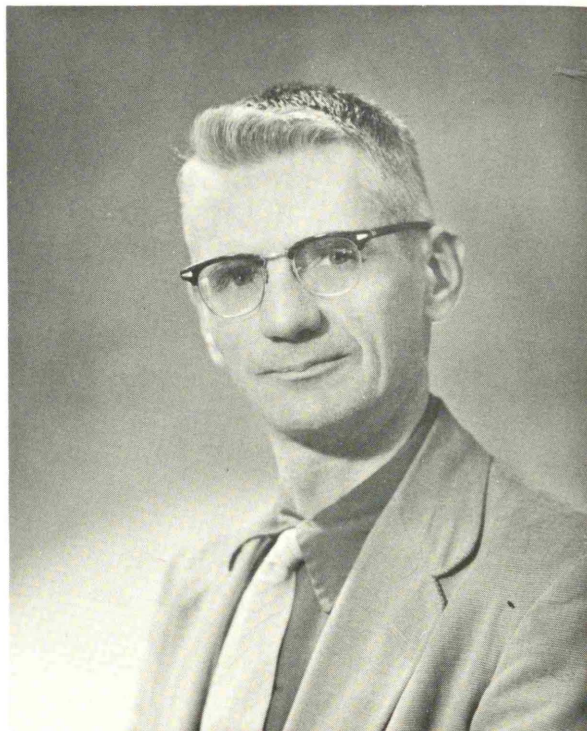


**THE JUNIOR A. BASKETBALL TEAM OF ST. MARK'S 1958**  
*Left to right: Leo Schenher (coach), David Crawford, Joseph Nuzzo, John Samion, George Lasky (assistant coach).*  
*Kneeling: Thomas Stackert, Thomas Rondinelli, Eugene Velchek, Ronald Erdei.*





JULIE RYKOVICH  
Football Coach

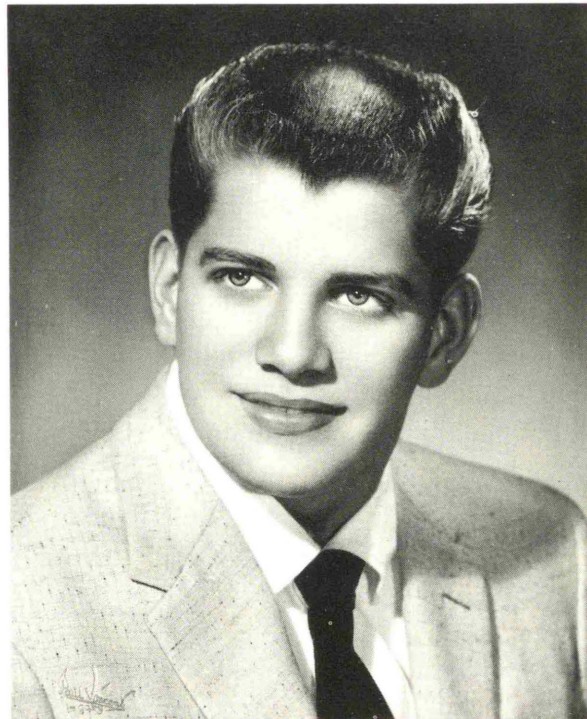


LEO SCHENHER  
Basketball Coach

Photos of Joseph Kurth, co-worker with Julie Rykovich, and of Bill Paulson, basketball coach, and his assistant, George Plazony, were not available at time this book went to press.



RAYMOND ATZHORN  
Basketball Coach



GEORGE LASKY  
Assistant to Mr. Schenher





#### TROPHY CASE IN ST. MARK'S SCHOOL

Some of the many awards won in various C.Y.O. athletic contests by the Football, Basketball and Baseball teams of St. Mark's Parish.



#### C.Y.O. SENIOR A. BASKETBALL TEAM OF ST. MARK'S 1958

*Standing, left to right:* John Sinar, Jim Wegman, Bill Paulson (coach), Sam Sorbello, Maurice Massa.

*Kneeling:* Bill McDonald, Ronald Pearson, Tony Bartos, Mike Drohosky, Larry Barlock. This team was the 1958 City Champion C.Y.O. squad.





**ST. MARK'S GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM NO. 1**

*Kneeling, left to right:* Janet Benjamin, Helen Gabriel, Jean Muir, Rita Reinke, Jane Ornelas.

*Standing:* Diane Urbanski, Arlene Balikar, Emile Harris, Judy Shimko, Mary Catherine Vonderhaar.



**ST. MARK'S GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM NO. 2**

*Kneeling, left to right:* Martha Dalby, Ann Ornelas, Frances Stanzione, Sharon D'Lugai.

*Standing:* Patricia Fox, Marianne Glankovic, Dorothy Gritton, Darlene Bara, Maureen Barlock.





ST. MARK'S GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM NO. 3

*Kneeling, left to right:* Bonnie Carey, Carol Jean Murphy, Mary Alice Wigmore, Patricia Finnerty, Carol Wozniak.

*Standing:* Vera Schiralli, Mary Jo Mills, Mary Jean Bazin, Susan Wilson, Mary Kay Hermes, Mary Martin.



ST. MARK'S SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

*Kneeling, left to right:* Nancy Bielewicz, Patricia Vonderhaar, Doris Kolvek.

*Standing:* Barbara Spicer, Christine Svetenoff, Mary Lou Zajdel, Barbara Necco.



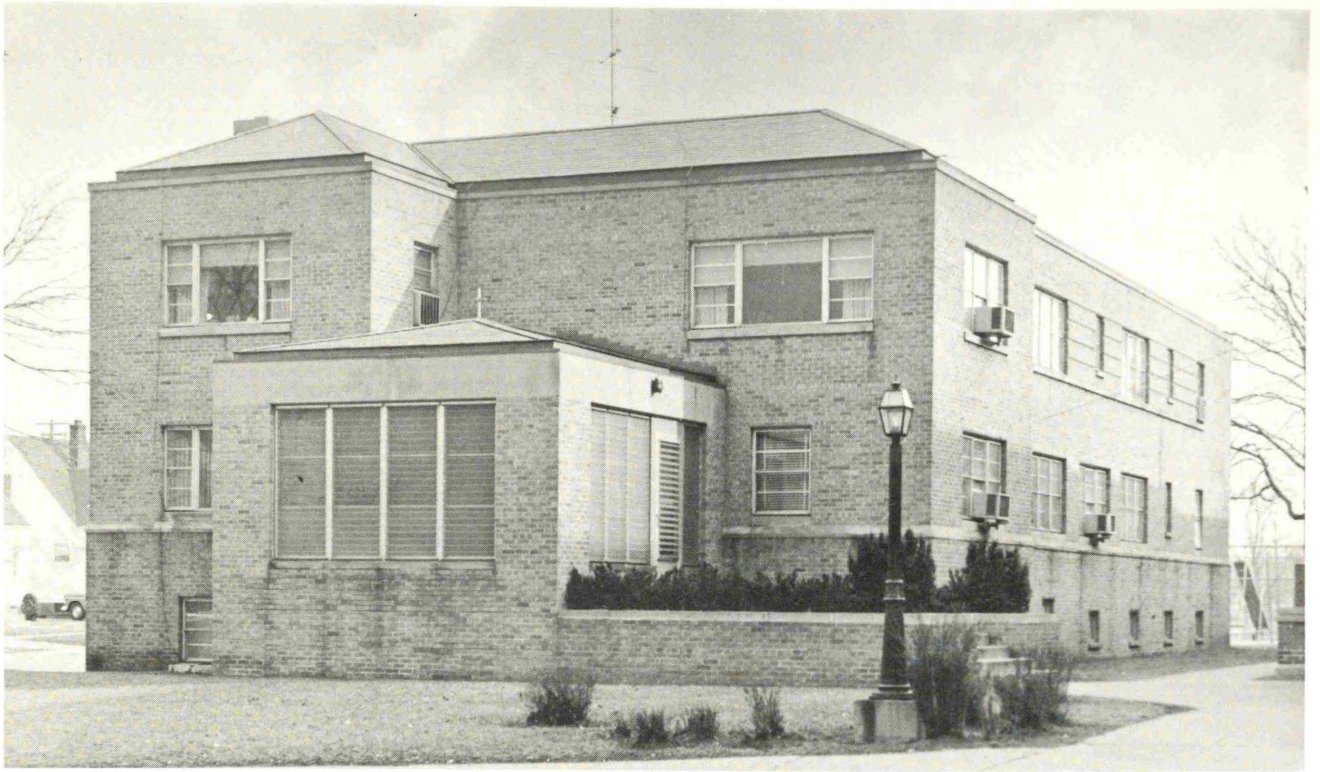


Front view of St. Mark's Parish approaching from the West.

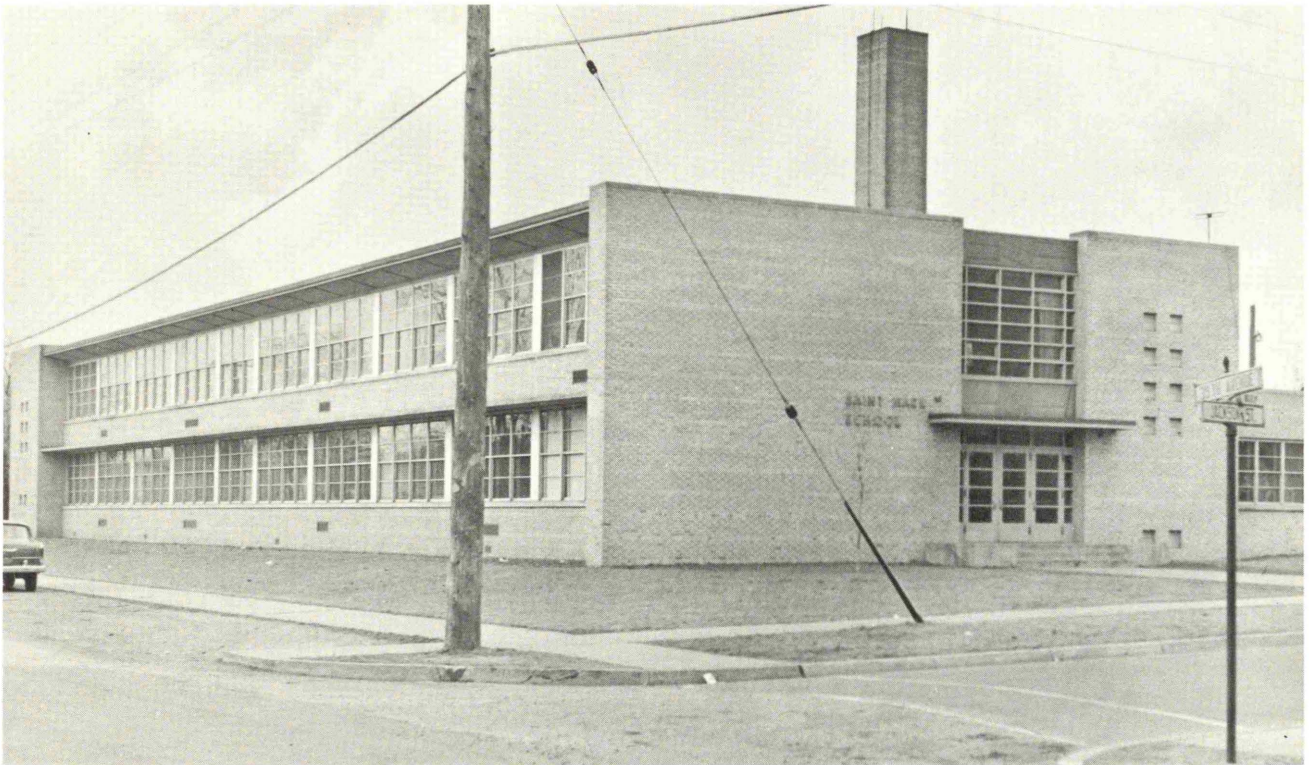
Interior of Main Church.







The Priest's Rectory.



St. Mark's New School Building (corner Jackson and 39th Avenue)



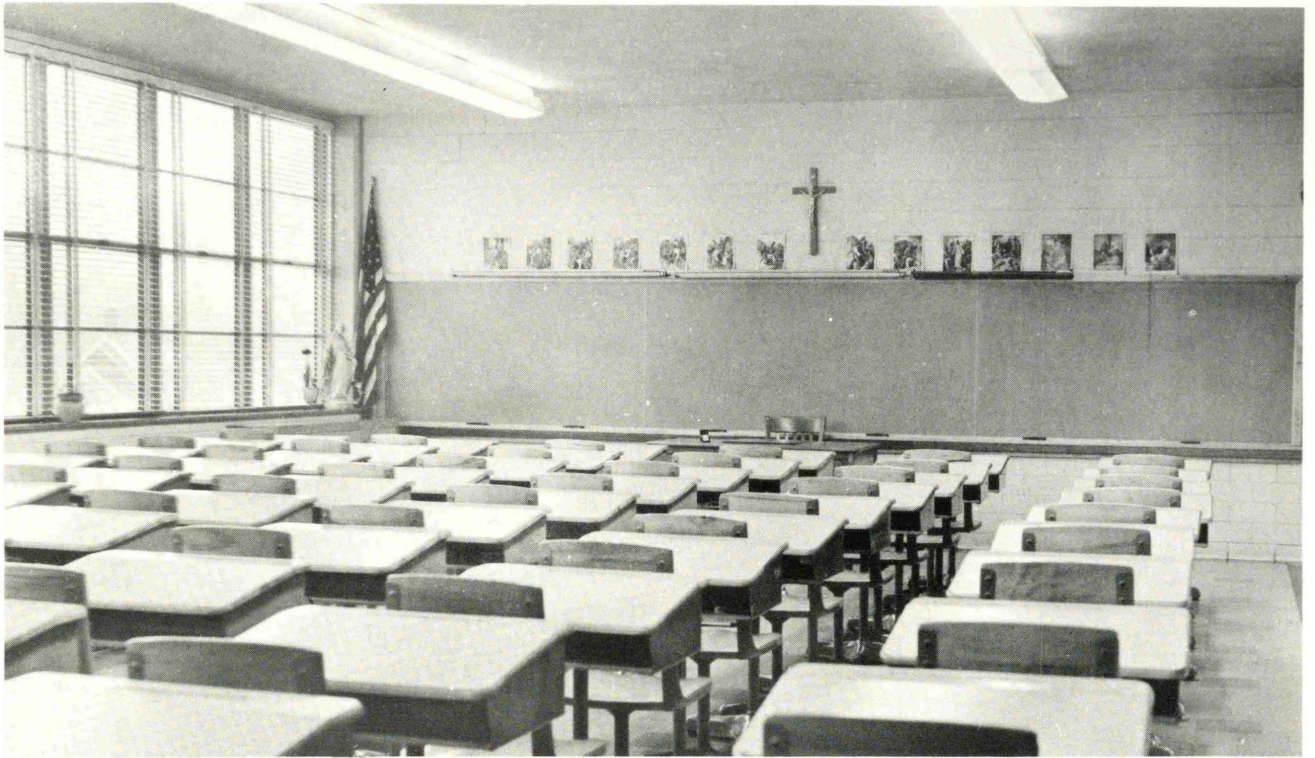


Interior of Lower Church (Auditorium) .



The Sisters' Convent.





Classroom in the New School Building.



Main Corridor in the New School Building.



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Ronald Alvarez  
Arline Balckir  
Susan Ben  
Darlene Bern  
Mary Ellen Boyle  
Raymond Buckall  
Bonnie Curry

Terence Coady  
James Cusumano  
Sharon D'Elia  
James Scott  
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Paul Fred W. Westendorf  
Paul Prof. Armstrong  
Ronald Erdie  
Gerald Fagan  
Mary Feeney  
Thomas Fucade  
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Mary Alice Wignen  
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Randal Wladarski  
Andrzej Wlodek  
Carol Wlodek

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**Class of 1958**

Patricia Fox  
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